#### Five Socialist premiers meet today

ATHENS(R) - Five Socialist prime ministers of southern European countries meet here Sunday and Monday for informal talks on their common ideology, the world economic situation and perhaps East-West issues. The five — France's Pierre Mauroy. Italy's Bettino Craxi, Portugal's Mario Soures. Spain's Felipe Gonzalez and host Andreas Papandreou of Greece - have held meetings regularly in the last three years but this will be the first with them all as prime ministers. All five have come to power in the last two years after long periods of conservative rule in their countries. There is no official agenda for the talks and no final statement will be issued. But a Greek government spokesman said the main focus will be economic issues, where the five agree in criticising U.S. policies, in calling for a better deal for the Third. World, and in favouring reflation without inflation.

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#### 128 Pakistanis die during Hai

KARACHI (R1 — Pakistan Saturday said 128 of its pilgrims to Islam's holiest shrines in Saudi Arabia died during this year's annual pilgrimage and 17 were still missing. The minister of state for Haj (pilgrimage) affairs. Zakaria Kamdar, told reporters that up to 800 of the 54,630 pilgrims who went from Pakistan were reported missing during the pilgrimage season. Most were old people who could not speak Arabic, he said, and they found their groups by returning to the main mosque in Mecca and waiting for friends or relatives to locate them. Authorities are still searching for the 17 missing persons.

#### Japanese fighters on false alarm

TOKYO (A.P.) - Japanese self-defence force jet fighters scrambled when a plane appearing to be a Soviet jet fighter violated Japanese airspace off Japan's northeromost main island of Hoaido Saturday, the defence agency reported. Two F-104 Japanese fighters scrambled when the plane was spotted by Japanese radar at 11:07 a.m., t0207 GMT1 Saturday about 18.5 kilometres northeast of Cape Shiretoko on northeastern Hokkaido, agency officials said. The plane entered Japan's airspace off the cape for two minutes before flying off to the portheast in the direction of the Soviet air base on the Sovietheld island of Etorofu. The Japanese jet fighters from Chitose air base in Hokkaido were unable to identify the plane, the officials

#### U.S. commission in Nicaragua

MANAGUA (R) - President Reagan's special commission on Central America arrived Saturday in Nicaragua, which said Friday it would seek combat planes and warships to defend itself against attacks by right-wing rebels. The commission, headed by tormer Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, was scheduled to meet Nicaraguan junta leader Daniel Ortega whose country is facing its warst fuel crisis as a result of the rebel attacks. The 14-member commission was met at the airport by a low-level delegation and received none of the red carpet treatment given in other Central American countries.

Nicerague to boost military power,

#### W.German protests turn violent

BREMERHAVEN, West Germany (R) - Rioting flared outside a U.S. army base here Saturday night as police used water cannons to disperse hundreds of anti-nuclear protesters throwing rocks and paving slabs at police lines. Masked demonstrators in the crowd fired coloured flares at police helicopters flying low overhead, while helmeted police carrying riot shields cleared a stretch of road several hundred metres long in front of the American Carl Schurz Base. Dozens of protesters were arrested and at least two were taken away by ambulance. one with a face wound. Earlier story on page 8

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## Beirut gets militias' okay for Greek, Italian personnel

# Lebanese rivals agree on ceasefire observers

BEIRUT (R) — A security committee of Lebanon's warring factions agreed Saturday on a proposal for Italy and Greece to send observers to monitor the country's 20day-old ceasefire.

A communique carried by state-run Beirut Radio said the committee. grouping the Lebanese army with three rival militias, made the decision unanimously at a meeting in no-man's

land on the outskirts of Beirut. The Lebanese government has been waiting for the committee to agree on terms for deploying the observers before sending formal requests to Italy and Greece.

Both Rome and Athens have said they are willing to send observers to monitor the truce, which is subject to daily violations, provided all parties agree.

The Lebanese government envisages that a total of 800 observers an exchange of fire near Beirut airport. be deployed in the former battle zones in the Shouf mountains southeast of the capital and Beirut's troubled southern suburbs.

The communique said the security committee "agrees that official requests be sent to Greece and Italy to assume this mission, provided that observers are deploved in the battle zones in a manner covering all these zones."

The condition that observers deploy in all the barde zones was the only term mentioned in the communique. It said-aire committee would continue discussing operational details of the observers' mission, indicating that ualties Saturday. On Friday, a ser-

these had yet to be agreed. The security committee is made up of a Lebanese army colonel and officials of the Shi ite Amal (hope) group, the mainly-Druze Progressive Socialist Party (PSP) and the predominantly Christian

> Marines say snipers killed

right-wing "Lebanese Forces"

Meanwhile, a U.S. Marines spokesman said he believed Marines killed four snipers and wounded 10 Saturday morning during an exchange of fire with gunmen 'We can't confirm 100 per cent

we killed anyone. We were not able to go out and inspect the bodies," he said. He said it was not the first time the 1,600-strong contingent of

U.S. Marines in the four-nation Beirut peace force were believed to have inflicted casualties but it is the first time the Marines have made any such announcement. Saipers in the Shi'ite Muslim slum of Havy Al Sullum fired on the Marines for an hour Saturday

morning for the second day running, the spokesman said.
There were no Marine cas-

"But it is a necessity dictated by

security requirements and com-

mon defence of this sensitive part

of the world," the Emirates news

agency WAM quoted him as say-

The Gulf council itself was set

and the Soviet military int-

ervention in Afghanistan.

world peace.

geant was killed and another ser- culated that the blast was a stray viceman wounded in separate inc-

#### Amal reports casualties

Amal leader Nabih Berri told reporters Saturday the spipers had wounded five of his men since Thursday. Amal sources later reported three civilians injured Saturday in similar incidents.

Military sources said the army, militias and Marines were so close together it was almost impossible to tell who was shooting at whom. Some parts of the southern suburbs are no-man's-land from

which snipers can operate without being identified. Mr. Berri said an unspecified "fourth party" was at work in the area, trying to provoke trouble by shooting at everyone.

#### 2 UNIFIL men waunded

In a separate incident Saturday two French soldiers serving with the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) were wounded on the main coast road from Beirut to the south.

A U.N. spokesman said an explosive device went off on the roavoy to the capital from the UNI-FIL area in South Lebanon.

the coastal village of Jiyeh. 25 kil- meet. ometres south of Beirut. 2 place. frequented by Israeii patrois, and Right-wing Falangist radio spe- political formula.

shell from the Kharroub region inland from Jiyeh, where security sources said rival militias exchanged artillery fire for much of

Saturday morning.

Beirut Radio also said shells were falling on the coast road as a result of the fighting, which was apparently between the "Lebanese Forces" and the PSP Druze

#### Syrian warning

Meanwhile, an official Syrian newspaper warned Saturday Syria would regard any attempt by Lebanon's rightists or the United States to stop the "national dialogue" as a violation of the Lebanese cea-

The frontpage comment in the government daily Tishrin said: Syria will view any American or Falangist attempt to stop the national dialogue as a violation of the ceasefire.

"In that case, the Arab Lebanese forces and the (Lebanese opposition) National Salvation Front, with the full support of Syria, will have the right to force a battle on the Falangist regime when and where they choose."

With only five days to go before dside as they were leading a con- a full-scale "national reconciliation conference." Lebanese politicians invited to the The explosion took place near meeting had still to agree where to

The aim of the conference, envisaged under the Saudi-mediated the attackers could have mistaken truce last month, is to end over the U.N. convoy for an Israeli one. eight years of civil war by finding a



His Majesty King Hossein Saturday opens the Fnurth International Congress on the History of Bilad

Al Sham (Greater Syria) at the University of Jordan

## Hussein calls for true picture of history

AMMAN (J.T.) — His Majesty King Hussein Saturday called on historians and scholars interested in the history of Bilad Al Sham (Greater Syria) to work towards arriving at an "objective and true picture of the Arab history of the region and rewriting the history based on truth and facts."

The King, who was opening the Fourth International Congress on the History of Bilad Al Sham at the University of Jordan, also urged Arab universities to "sho-

ulder their scientific responsibility and serve the aspirations of the Arab Nation which seeks to achieve more progress and farreaching objectives."

King Hussein also emphasised the significance of Bilad Al Sham as "the cradle of Arab civilisation and identity," and which "constituted the most potential force audience of top Arab and foreign for confronting challenges and historians and scholars. safeguarding the Arab national

"Bilad Al Sham has been exp-

osed to invaders' attacks before and after the emergence of Islam and the invaders have left their mark on our soil. Byzantine domination of the region receded and was finally overwhelmed by the Arab presence and this has a significant meaning and is wently of deep study," the King told the

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### Shamir seeks Aridor's successor

TEL AVIV (R) - Israeli Prime resumed his search for a successor to Finance Minister Yoram Arider, who resigned last week amid opposition to his plan to link Israel's faltering economy to the American dollar.

With the week-old government

"There are many names, but up o now there is no candidate who could be considered serious," said a political source who requested anonymity.

Deputy Prime Minister David Levy, defeated by Mr. Shamir in the leadership contest to succeed Menachem Begin, turned down he post.

He dismissed reports in the Israeli press that Mr. Shamir would offer the Finance Ministry to Ezer Weizman, defence minister in Mr. Begin's first government, as "nothing but speculation or wishful thinking."

The most probable candidates o succeed Mr. Aridor appeared to be former Finance Minister Yigael Horowitz, Energy Minister Yithak Modai, a persistent Aridor critic. Deputy Finance Minister Haim Kaufman or Likud parliamentarian Yigael Cohen-

Minister Yitzhak Shamir Saturday

After a brief respite for the Jewish Sabbath, Mr. Shamir was meeting members of his Herut (freedom) faction of the Likud coalition government.

The opposition Labour Party and two small factions in the Knesset (parliament) plan to introduce no-confidence motions.

facing a serious challenge to its handling of Israel's economic crisis, Mr. Shamir, who is acting fin-ance chief as well as premier and foreign minister, was under intense pressure to appoint a successor to Mr. Aridor.

Argov, an economist.

#### Lebanon was precarious. Gromyko, Genscher begin

Genscher of West Germany began lear Forces (INF) in Europe. Sovtalks in Vienna Saturday on dea- iet officials have hinted the Kredlocked U.S.-Soviet arms neg-

iet embassy that he did not want the two-day meeting to be burdened with excessive exp-

dialogue, to making opposite positions more understandable."

ect from a two-day meeting of Warsaw Pact foreign ministers in eramen in the embassy before settling down for the afternoon ses-

Diplomatic sources expected

mlin may break off or suspend the talks if the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) deploys new cruise and Pershing-2 missiles in Western Europe from December as planned.

At their Sofia meeting the Warsaw Pact ministers said the talks should continue beyond the end of this year but linked their statement with a renewed call for abandonment of the deployment

Western diplomats said the statement when he arrived by air dir-tement had a positive tone but was ambiguous. The official reason for the

the Bulgarian capital of Solia. But Gromyko-Genscher meeting, he smiled cheerfully for cambetween the longest-serving foreign mioisters of NATO and the Warsaw Pact, is that it replaces talks which had been seheduled for New York

NEW DELHI (R) — Prime Min-ister Indira Gandhi Saturday warned of the growing danger of global war and said a way must be found to end the arms race.

press conference. Mrs. Gandhi. who recently returned from a series of meeting with world leaders at the United Nations in New York, said East-West tensions had deteriorated.

ntry could spark off a conflict, she

"How does war come about?" she demanded.

"It comes about when confrontation and tension increases and that is what is happening and also when suspicion increases. when you are so concerned about what the other side may do that you yourself may have a panic reaction and do something which may trigger off a war or something which you did not want to have and we seem to be heading in that

Her press conference, covering domestic and international topics. also touched on relations with India's neighbours, the situation in Punjab, the economy and her style of government. (Three dead. 25 hurt in Punjab, page 8)

the view of leaders she had met at the U.N. was that global tensions had increased the risk of war.

Asked about the proposed deployment of new U.S. missiles in Western Europe, she said: "We think that the arms race must be ended, some way should be found to end it.

She said many people round the world had come to realise this. "I think ordinary people are becoming more and more conscious of this and that is why we support the peace movement which now transcends national boundaries, ideological boundaries or class

## Parkinson episode bruises Thatcher's political image

resignation of cabinet minister Cecil Parkinson over a love affair, commentators said Saturday.

Mr. Parkinson, 52, was one of lest backing.

He resigned after his jilted mistress. Sara Keays, accused him of twice reneging on promises to lady. She has been bruised before abandon his wife and marry her. and will no doubt be bruised baby in January.

because her judgment in backing him now appeared questionable. The Times of London said in an editorial: "It cannot be denied that the prime minister has been

bruised by this episode... she is not.

indestructible, but she is a tough



dominated this week's Conservative Party conference in Blackpool. His resignation annsonally, at least for the time being, ouncement completely overshadowed Mrs. Thatcher's key speech to the party delegates Fri-

On Saturday, all the principal actors in the drama maintained a tanks, armoured cars, minepublic silence, despite the persistence of Bruish newsmen. resistant troop carriers and

#### Iraq has Mirages with Exocets, president says BAGHDAD (R) - President what they hear on radio stations

Saddam Hussein, expressing sur- that France, counter to its national prise at the "fuss" over France's delivery of five Super Etendard jets to Iraq, has said his country already has a squadron of French-built warplanes armed

with Exocet missiles. In remarks to French journalists broadcast Friday night on Bag-hdad Television, he said an existing lraqi squadron of F-1 Mirage jets was armed with Exocet missiles, and described the planes as being as effective as the Super-Etendards.

"These planes (the Super Eteup in 1981 as an economic and ndards) were not the only ones for security grouping, prompted in which we signed contracts with part by the 1979 revolution in Iran France to use against naval targets and installations...

"In fact, we have a complete squadron of (F-1) planes equipped with Exocets that will fulfil the same tasks as the Super Etendards," he told the journalists on

ected the Super Etendards, which apparently would give Iraq increased ability to strike at Iranian oil installations, in Iraq before the end of the month. French military sources said a

Thursday.

ndards armed with the missiles had left their base in western France on their way to Iraq. Iran has said it will halt oil shi-

President Hussein said the

disrupts Iranian oil exports.

policy, delayed the delivery of the planes because of American or British pressure." He expressed surprise over

what he termed the recent fuss over the Super-Etendards, although they did not carry nuclear bombs or internationally-banned weapons. "True, they will carry weapons

that will develop the quality of Iraqi usage against defined targets, but as they do not carry forbidden weapons, why was such a fuss created over them, despite their limited number," he said.

President Hussem stressed that his government would not accept any conditions attached to its use of the Super Etendards.

"We do not buy weapons from France alone and we refuse conditions on our weapons, because when we pay for them, we use them the way we see fit, taking The Iraqi president said he expinto consideration international factors and interests of peace and stability in the world," he said.

He said he did not exclude Iran's possible closure of the Strait of Hormuz to free navigation, addweek ago that the Super Ete- ing: "World public opinion must not bow to such pressure. If it does bow to such blackmail, it will not be the last Iranian threat."

West hopeful Gulf war will not develop into crisis; IEA chief sees no threat to oil flow; Iran warns French people "must not believe U.S. against action in Guif, page 2

## South Africa displays military muscles

Saturday displayed its formidable nchers. military strength in the capital's largest parade since World War II of men and hardware, most locally-made because of a United Nations arms embargo.

More than 3,000 armed men. 90 aircraft and 80 combat vehicles from the army, navy and air force paraded through central Pretoria in front of government leaders. foreign diplomats and thousands of spectators.

Among the weapons displayed

in a two-kilometre armoured

column were huge artillery pieces.

Most, including the rarely-

Since the U.N. embargo was imposed on South Africa in 1977. state-owned Armscor has manufactured and even exported a number of weapons suited to lig-. Minister P.W. Botha did not anhming strikes and mobile guerrilla.

On display Saturday for the first no explanation.

time were new mine-resistant ambulances called Rinkhals, with the characteristic V-shaped underside of mine-proof vehicles.

The parade was part of celcombat-proven on the border ebrations in memory of the first state president, Paul Kruger. and also honoured current President Marais Viljoen, who may have to step down next year if constitutional reforms proposed by the government go ahead. Also present were several cab-

inet ministers, although Prime end. Officials said this was because of a last minute hitch but gave

# King, Junblatt hold talks

AMMAN (J.T.) - His Majesty King Hussein and Lebanese opposition leader Walid Junblatt Saturday discussed the situation in Lebanon, including artempts to hold reconciliation talks among warring factions in the country, the Jordanian News Agency, Petra, sain, Mr. Junblatt, leader of Lebanon's predominantly Druze "togressive Socialist Party (PSP), arrived here from Paris on Thursday to

meet his wife and children who are living in Amman. He was on a European tour during which he met Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme and French External Affairs Minister Claude Cheysson before cutting short the trip saying that the ceasefire in

# talks on Geneva stalemate

VIENNA (R) - Foreign min- Mr. Gromyko to clarify Moscow's isters Andrei Gromyko of the Soviet Union and Hans-Dietrich limiting Intermediate-range Nuc-

Mr. Genscher told reporters before the talks opened at the Sov-

But he added: "1 am quite certain that this meeting can contribute, as part of the East-West

Mr. Gromvko made no sta-

## Gandhi warns of global war, attacks arms race

In a wide-ranging two-hour

There was an increasing risk that a panic reaction by one cou-

The 65-year-old premier said

"Today, whatever people disagree on, I think that at least 90 per cent agree that there can be no victory in a war - all will be the losers.

#### operation Council (GCC) Sat-Addressing the final parade Saturday, UAE Chief-of-Staff urday ended their first joint military exercise in the deserts of the United Arab Emirates (UAE). Colonel Mohammad Sa'id Al Badi said the joint military strength of the GCC countries was Gulf military sources said. Ground units from Saudi Aranot a threat directed against any-

GCC members conclude

BAHRAIN (R) - The six mem- antagonising other countries in

the region.

army exercises in UAE

bia. Kuwait. Qatar. Bahrain. one. Oman and the UAE with air support from the UAE air force took part in the manoeuvres, codenamed "gazira (Islandi Shield." The exercise, lasting several days, came at a time of heightened

ber states of the Gulf Co-

tension in the Gulf, with Iran threatening to close the vital waterway if Iraq disrupts its oil shipments in the three-year-old Gulf The land manoeuvres, to be followed next year by air and naval

exercises, were designed to show Col. Badi said the just-the determination of GCC mem- completed exercise added new bers to defend themselves without strength to Arab strategy and outside interference.

Military and diplomane sources said, however, a low-key app- French chief-of-staff visits Kuwait, roach had been taken to avoid page 2

LONDON (R) - British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher has taken a political bruising from the

the prime minister's closest allies. His resignation Friday from the post of trade and industry secretary came as a severe embarrassment to Mrs. Thatcher, who had personally given him the ful-

Ms. Keays. Mr. Parkinson's former secretary, is expecting their Commentators said the affair had damaged Mrs. Thatcher per-

day afternoon.

# pments through the Gulf if Iraq

Mr. Parkinson's fall from power

PRETORIA (R1 - South Africa lethally-accurate rocket lau-

shown G-6 self-propelled gun, are locally made and have been between Namibia (South West Africa) and Angola against guerrillas of the South West Africa People's Organisation (SWAPO).

# MIDDLE EAST

U.S. ready to use carrier task force to keep Hormuz open

# West hopes Gulf war will not develop into crisis

Reuter

WASHINGTON — Despite repeated U.S. warnings against attempts to block Gulf oil routes, administration officials are discouraging speculation about an impending military crisis that could involve American forces in the region.

The White House, echoing rec- Entendards by the end of the ent warnings by the State Department, said Thursday the United States would not stand idly by if a fresh flarcup in the Iraq-)ran war threatens to disrupt oil shipping lanes from the Gulf.

Iran has said it would close the 40 kilometre wide Strait of Hormuz at the mouth of the Gulf if Iraq, with which it has been at war since 1980, uses French-supplied Super Etendard fighter planes to cut of) Iranian oil exports.

Pentagon officials say the planes, which can fire Exocet missiles of the type that proved effective against British warships in the Falklands War, have been delivered to Iraq.

But they are not convinced Iraq will carry out its threat to use the deadly combination against Ira-nian oil lacilities, or that Iran would respond by blocking all

Gulf shipping.

Iraq's President Saddam Hussein has been quoted as saying he expects delivery of five Super

The officials also discounted recent press reports that a unit of U.S. Marines now headed toward the Gulf region would be used to reopen a blockaded Strait of Hormuz.

Marines not counted

If the United States were obliged to use force to make good its pledge to keep the waterway open, they said, it would call upon its own powerful naval and air forces and those of its allies in the

These include a nine-ship battle group under the aircraft carrier Ranger, the small permanent U.S. Fleet in the Gulf, British and French warships which are nearby and other units that could be moved to the area in a matter of

Officials said the 2.000 Marines are on their way home to Hawaii from peacekeeping duties in Leb-

rational, which they said is pro- ducers. bably about six weeks away.

The viarines were due to go home last month after taking part in Indian Ocean exercises but were sent to the Mediterranean when renewed fighting in Leb-anon killed four U.S. Marines.

They were reported this week to be passing through the Suez Canal and Red Sea bound for the Indian and Pacific oceans.

The Pentagon officials said it-Gulf blockaded by Iran.

#### **NEWS ANALYSIS**

Some U.S. officials also voiced scepticism that Iraq would risk Iranian retaliation against its own oil export trade by attacking Iran's oil terminals.

Others said Iraq might do so in its desperation to end the threeyear-old war, either by cutting off the oil revenue that funds the Iranian war effort or by drawing the -United States and other Western nations into the fighting.

said Iran might choose to strike would not tolerate a move by Iran. back directly at Iraq rather than or anyone else, to close the Gulf.

anon and there is no plan to keep risk widening the war by seeking them near the Gulf until Iraq's to cut off oil exports from Saudi new French planes are ope- Arabia and other major Gulf pro-

> If Iran did try to close the Gulf. Pentagon officials said, it might be able to sink a few ships with mines and cause a temporary panic among shippers. But it could not enforce a long-term blockade against U.S. and other Western opposition.

Nevertheless, recent U.S. studies have said even a brief interruption in Gulf supplies. which account for nearly 20 per cent of Western oil imports, would serwas hard to envisage a plan calling iously damage economic recovery for U.S. ground forces to reopen a in the West and torce world oil prices up sharply.

Despite reduced U.S. dependence on Gulf oil, a congressional report last month said a cutoff would reduce the U.S. Gross National Product by up to 30 per cent on a short-term basis. assuming the recession has ended.

Based on 1982 figures, the report said world oil supplies would fall short by more than five million barrels a day and prices would rise from the present \$34 a barrel to \$65 and eventually \$130.

Officials say this explains why. frontation is considered a fairly remote possibility, the United Sta-But if that happens, officials tes continues to make clear it



FREE FOR ALL: An old Shi'ite woman from the southern suburbs of Beirut seen holding an

#### Iran warns U.S. about Gulf action government in Tehran.

TEHRAN (R) - An Iranian lea- warning Thursday after repeated der warned the United States Friday against seeking a con-frontation with Iran in the Gulf, a day after Washington said it would take any action necessary to keep oil supplies flowing from the area.

The national news agency IRNA quoted the speaker of parliament, Ali Akbar Hashemi Rafsanjani, as telling a Friday prayers take on Iran was doomed to fai-

"The Americans know full well that the weapons they gave us during the past regime have remained intact, of which our competence and our military industries will make the best use at the right time," Mr. Rafsanjani said.

The United States issued its

threats by Iran to close the Gulf, eutting off oil supplies to the West. if Iranian oil exports were interrupted by Iraqi attacks. Iraq, which has been at war with

Iran for three years, was reported a week ago to have taken delivery of five Super Etendard planes from France which could be used to launch missile attacks on Irameeting that any U.S. attempt to nian oil installations or on tankers carrying Iranian crude.

The Iranian news agency quo-ted Mr. Rafsanjani as renewing his country's threat in his sermon at the prayer meeting.

Mr. Rafsanjani said the int-

emational fuss over the reported delivery of the Super Etendards was simply an attempt to put pre-

He said pilots of Iran's U.S.-made F-14 interceptors vowed to knock the French planes out of the sky if they tried to attack Iran's main oil export terminal on Kharg

Mr. Rafsanjani said "sup-

ercilious world powers" had embroiled Iran in the war with Iraq in order to destroy the Islamic republic and establish Baghdad as the policeman of the Gulf. Despite threatening gestures by

both sides, there has been relstively little military activity on the Gulf war fronts since an Iranian offensive in August.

Iran's latest military communique said Friday six people had been killed in an Iraqi air raid ssure on the Islamic revolutionary on the border town of Marivan,

## Denktash, Ankara clash about future of Cyprus

"It is up to me to make Turkey

now differences with the Ankara government, Mr. Denktash said: difference, I will not complain."

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ugh he accepted the actual meeting could take place much later. He told an estimated 20,000

the main square of north Nicosia:

"We are an independent people in

an independent Cyprus. Now we must get our state recognised." But he added that even after declaring independence he was prepared to return to negotiations

Cypriot attitudes forced him to declare independence, he would like to do so before elections in

Asked how he bad responded to

#### French army chief-of-staff visits Kuwait

KUWAIT (R) - French chief. of-staff Gen. Jean Lecaze and Kuwait's Crown Prince Sheikt Saad Al-Abdullah Al-Sabab See urday discussed military conperation between their two conntries, officials said. The officials gave no lumber

details of the talks but said France had agreed earlier this year to provide Kuwait with 12 F-1 Mir. age aircraft equipped with adv anced missiles.

As-Siyassa newspaper said Friday Kuwait would start taking del ivery of the planes early next year. The officials said France had agreed to provide Kuwait with 30 vehicles to transport MX-13

They said that Gen. Lecaze who arrived Friday for a three-day visit, had also discussed military cooperation with Kuwait's Defence Minister Sheikb Salem Al-Sabah, who visited Paris in April and other military officials here.

#### Libyan envoy leaves Paris PARIS (R) - Libya's Secretary

for Foreign Liaison Abdel-At Obeidi left Paris for home Friday after a three-day visit-marked by tension over French citizens being heid up in Libva. Airport sources said Mr. Obe-

idi, who met French External Relations Minister Claude Cheysson on Wednesday, left una-ccompanied and declined to speak to the press.

Mr. Obeidi had complained about France's detention of a Lib-

yan national wanted for the murder of a Libyan businessman in Italy in 1980, saying the arrest had been unwarranted. Press reports here had speculated that the arrest of Rashid Said Mohammad Abdullah last

week was linked to Libyan officials' refusal to allow 37 French nationals to board a Paris-bound flight in Tripoli last Sunday. All 37 passengers were back in

France Friday saying they had been well treated by the Libyans but had been given no explanation for the incident.

#### Mayor of Jerusalem hurt in scuffle

- Mayor Teddy Kollek was attacked and slightly injured Sat-urday by orthodox Jews as he walked to synagogue in Jerusalem's Mea Shaarim quarter, a police spokesman said.

Mr. Kollek suffered scratches and bruises to his face but was not seriously injured in the scuffle. Police intervened but no arrests were made.

target of orthodox anger because of plans to build a public swimming pool in a neighbourhood bordering the religious quarter.

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#### Energy chief sees no threat to oil flow

BONN (R) - Threats by Iran to close the Strait of Hormuz do not pose a lasting danger to Western industrial nations' oil supplies. International Energy Agency Executive Director ULF Lantzke said Saturday.

Iran, at war with Iraq, has said it would close the Gulf, cutting off oil supplies to the West, if Iraqi attacks interrupt its oil exports.

Mr. Lantzke, in a radio interview, said a blockade of the Gulf would mean an initial supply shortfall of cight million barrels a day (bpd) or about 16 per cent of the West's daily needs. Other oil areas, such as Nigeria,

Indonesia, Mexico or North Africa, could provide three or four million bpd from reserve capacity. while Saudi Arabia could supply an extra 1.5 million bpd if it made full use of its recently opened pipeline to the Red Sea, he added.

Mr. Lantzke said the remaining shortfall of just under four million bod need not cause concern, as there were adequate world-wide oil stocks at present.

## Iraq to complete Saudi-Iraqi pipeline link within 1 year BAGHDAD (R. Iraqi Pre- pleted in a short period -- bet-

expects a pipeline to carry oil from southern Iraq to Saudi Arabia to be completed within a year.

He told French journalists in Baghdad television that Saudi a pipeline now being built from southern Iraq to an existing Saudi

Iraq awaits

Yugoslav visit

BAGHDAD (R) — Iraqi Trade Minister Hassan Ali met Yugoslav

Deputy Prime Minister Zvone

Dragan Saturday to prepare for

Sunday's arrival here of Yugoslav Prime Minister Milka Planine for a

two-day visit. Yugoslav sources

The two ministers also reviewed

bilateral cooperation and the pro-

gress of work carried out by Yug-

oslav firms in Iraq, they added.

sident Saddam Hussein has said he ween six months and a year." Mr. Hussein told the journalists on Thursday. Iraq currently has only one exp-

ort outlet, a pipeline to the Turremarks broadcast Friday night by kish Mediterranean port of Ceyhan. The country's exports thr-Arabia had decided to let Iraq link ough the Gulf have been blocked by its three-year-war with Iran. and Syria, which backs Iran in the eline, which would not be comconflict, closed last year a pipeline pleted for some years, would have

DAMASCUS (R) - The central

committee of Syria's ruling Baath

Socialist Party will hold a closed

meeting on Monday presided over

by President Hafez Al-Assad, the

agenda, but diplomatic sources

said it was believed to be the

run-up to a general congress of the

party expected early next year

when a cabinet reshuffle may be

SANA gave no details of the

official news agency SANA said.

**Baath Party** 

session set

Mr. Hussein also said an agreement had been signed to allow crude oil to be transported by tanker truck through Jordan. He confirmed Saudi Arabia had

agreed to allow Iraq to build a further oil pipeline across Saudi territory to the Red Sea. Previous official statements have said this pip-

#### Iranian stall destroyed in Frankfurt fair

official exhibition at the Frankfurt Book Fair Saturday, police said. 20 and 50 entered the stand, knocking over the displays. A police spokesman said there were no injuries, but several persons were taken into custody. He declined to

FRANKFURT (R) — A group of dissident Iranians destroyed Iran's A group estimated at between give further details pending inv-

## leftists killed in Turkey

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ANKARA (R) — Two members of an illegal ultra left organisation were killed during a shootout with security forces at the town of Fatsa in northern Turkey, martial law authorities said Saturday. A statement issued by the aut-

horities said two other members of the Dev-Yol (revolutionary way) group, outlawed after the 1980 military coup, had been captured alive, while two members of the security forces had been wounded in the operation.

Before the coup, Fatsa was one of the most troubled areas in Turkey. Leftwing peoples' com-mittees declared it an "independent zone" and imposed Marxist and Leninist doctrines on the inhabitants.

One of the biggest post-conp mass trials in the country is underway there, with 740 people in court, most of them - including the town's former mayor -- alleged to be Dev-Yol members.

### NICOSIA (R) — Turkish Cypriot leader Rauf Denktash has said he Turkish Cypriots during a rally in

had a difference of opinion with Ankara over his threat to declare north Cyprus independent but would pursue his aim if Greek-Cypriot President Spyros Kyprianou did not meet him. Responding to reported sta-

favours inter-communal talks as a way 10 solve the problems of the divided island, Mr. Denktash told Reuters it was his duty to tell Tur-key the talks will lead nowhere given the Greek Cypriot attitude to the Turkish Cypriots.

believe this ... it is my duty. We are not 'yes men' to Turkey," be said. Asked if this meant there were I call it a dialogue but if you call it

He said he wanted to reply from Mr. Kyprianou before the end of the month as to whether a high level meeting will take place, tho-

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to set up a federal two-zone rep-Mr. Denktash said that if Greek

Turkey in November. U.N. Secretary General Javier Perez de Cuellar'a new initiative

on Cyprus, Mr. Denktash said he had had views in favour of part of the proposals but that Mr. Kyprianou had already killed the initiative by accepting its method of approach and rejecting the ing-

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#### TODAY'S EVENTS

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## ing from the Arab Revolt of 1916. Sports City, Amman. Opening hours 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Closed Saturdays. Tel.

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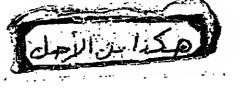
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## Omani embassy to cover Egyptian interests here

AMMAN (J.T.) — The Jordanian its embassies to be closed around government has given its consent the world as part of a programme to a proposal that Oman look after designed to reduce government the interests of Egypt in Jordan instead of Sudan which has undertaken this task since 1978, according to a report in Al Ra'i newspaper Saturday.

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It said that the proposal arose when Sudan decided to close down its embassy in Amman, one of 26 of

ling. The Sudanese embassy in Saudi Arabia will look after the Sudan's interests in Jordan, the

According to the paper, the Jordanian government has lately lifted a ban on Egyptian newspapers and magazine coming into Jordan.

### Regional aviation safety meeting to begin Oct. 18

AMMAN (J.T.) — His Majesty King Hussein will inaugurate a two-day aviation safety seminar which will begin on Oct. 18 at the Amman Chamber of Commerce conference hall.

The seminar is organised and sponsored by Alia, the Royal Jor-

According to the agenda of the seminar, published in the Oct. 13 issue of the weekly newsletter of the airline Alia News, several Jordanian and foreign experts will address the regional seminar, which will also include delegates from Arab carriers in Iraq, Egypt,

Syria, North and South Yemen as well as Jordan.

The Jordanian and foreign speakers, who are mainly drawn from the United States, Canada and the United Kingdom, will discuss several subjects including accident prevention, pilot error and judgement, operational performance and dissemination of information.

Alia Chairman and President Ali Ghandour will deliver the welcoming speech and Najib Halabi. who will be acting as chairman of the seminar, will deliver the inaugural address.

#### Pan-Arab standardisation meeting opens in Amman

offices in the Arab World opened their fourth annual meeting at the headquarters of the Arab Organisation for Standardisation and Metrology (AOSM) in Amman

The meeting was opened by the AOSM secretary general, Zafer Al Sawwaf, who outlined in a speech the objectives of the meeting and called on the participants to help promote standardisation and measurement in the Arab World.

 AOSM was established in 1965 to unify technical terms and standard specifications for products | sea and regional water affairs.

AMMAN (Petra) — Directors of measurement and standardisation such as food, clothing, fertilisers, building materials, oil, minerals, and electrical products.

It also assists in the eatablishment of national bodies and collaborates with international standards activities.

#### Memo received

AMMAN (J.T.) -Tbe Jordanian government has received a memo from the Arab League requesting that all Jordanian laws regarding regional water and sea affairs be submitted for use as guidelines for formulating a unified Arab law for

## Valencia mayor

commences

3-day visit AMMAN (Petra) — The mayor of the Spanish city of Valencia, Mr. Ricardo Casado, arrived here Fri-

day evening for a three-day visit to

The visit is at the invitation of Amman Municipality and in imp-lementation of a resolution passed by the Arab Cities Organisation that called for the bolstering of relations between Arab and Spanish cities, due to the strong relations

between Spain and the Arah World. The maynr and bis accompanying delegation were met upon arrival at the airport by Amman Mayor Abdul Ra'ouf Al Rawabdeh and a number of nfficials, as well as the Spanish ambor to Jordan, Menendez Del

Mr. Casado and his party will hold talks with Mr. Rawabdeh and his aides aimed at strengthening bilateral relations and launching cooperation between Amman and Valencia.

The delegation will also tour archaeological sites in the country.

#### Three · killed in Irbid

IRBID (J.T.) - Two people died in a road accident and a third was killed when a wall in her house collapsed in Irbid Friday. The two crash victims Mustafa Jaradat and Khalaf Hussein, died when their two cars collided near the city.

Four other people were injured and taken to bospital for treatment following a road accident near Kufr Khall in the Irbid GovKing Hussein inaugurates distinguished gathering of international experts

## Conference opens on history of Greater Syria

By a Jordan Times Staff Reporter

A.M.MAN — A distinguished gathering of 40 Arab and foreign scholars and over 100 senior Jordanian officials filled the Samir Rifai auditorium at the University of Jordan Saturday morning for the opening by His Majesty King Hussein of the Fourth International Conference on the History of Bilad Al

country, takes up the theme of the entity and rights.

Bilad Al Sham region from the Bilad Al Sham has been exp-Bilad Al Sham is the area of historical Syria. and is usually tramodern day Syria, Jordan, Lebanon and Palestine/Israel.

The conference participants include an impressive array of international scholars, such as Dr. Herbert Donner from West Germany. Dr. Peter Parr from Eng- Umayyad era. and, Dr. Ernest Will from France, Dr. Werner Seibt from Austria and Dr. Arfan Shaheed and Dr. George Atiyya from the United Dr. Mo'awiya Ibrahim. Dr. Fawzi Nicola Ziyadeh, Dr. Youssef Ghawanmeh. and Dr. Ihsan

Abbas. among others. Dr. Mohammad Adnan Bakhit of the University of Jordan, secretary of the Bilad At Sham committee, welcomed the conference participants and guests, as did University of Jordan president. Dr. Abdul Salam Majali.

His Majesty King Hussein onened the conference with a speech outlining the historical role played its people and due to its unique by this part of the Arab World. and its contribution to Arab civlisation.

Following are excerpts from the more important, and this nec-King's speech: Bilad Al Sham has essitates a continuous quest by always been the cradle of Arah scholars to attain more knowledge

This year's conference, which civilisation and identity, and conncludes four days of pre- stitutes the greatest potential entations and discussions and force for confronting challenges three days of field trips around the and safeguarding Arab national

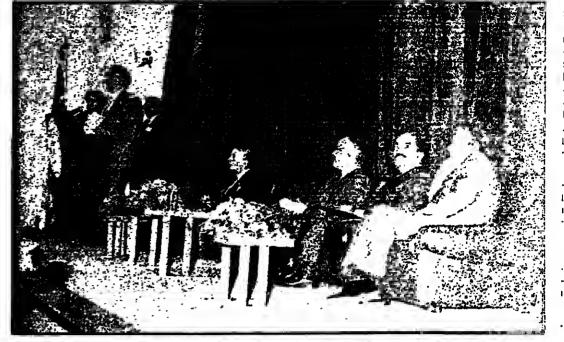
beginning of the Byzantine period osed to invaders' attacks before to the end of the Umayyad era. and after the emergence of Islam. and the invaders have left their mark on our soil. Byzantine domnslated into English as Greater ination of this region receded and Syria. or simply Syria. It includes finally was overwhelmed by the Arab presence. This is very significant and is worthy of deep examination and study because the subject of this conference is "the period stretching from the Byzantine period to the end of the

That era, with all its events and results, bears proof of the long existence of Arabs in this part of the world, for over a thousand of States. Leading Jordanian and years, until the present day. Arab Arab scholars taking part include: existence in this region is closely linked with the prophecies and the Zayyadine, Dr. Nabil Kheiry, Dr. prophets who are sent to this region; and the unity of the Arab people here was based on the very civilisation of man and on the values of justice and peace.

I congratulate this elite of scholars who seek to establish right and truth, and I admire their faithful scientific endeavours.

We are honoured to say that Jordan has had a significant role to play in the history of Bilad Al Sham, both by the endeavours of geographical location.

The role of our universities is therefore becoming more and The congress's idea presented



Dr. Abdul Salam Al Majali, president of the University of Jordan, Saturday addresses the opening session of the Bilad Al Sham conference as His Maj-

esty King Hussein and His Royal Highness Crown

through cooperation and coordination with other universities and research centres. This has prompted us to begin close cooperation with the University of Damascus to help us obtain cle-arer pictures of the past history of Bilad Al Sham.

Our invitation to all scholars is open because we want the cooperation of all historians and scholars interested in the past history of Bilad Al Sham. We welcome these scholars to take part in our endeavours with the purpose of arriving at an objective and true picture of Arab history with the aim of re-writing this history based on pure facts and truth.

We also call on Arab universities to shoulder their scientific responsibilities and serve the aspirations of the Arab Nation which seeks to achieve more progress and far-reaching objectives. itself when it became evident that some people tried to mispresent historical events and deal with them outside their natural context, Dr. Adnan Al Bakhit, protessor of history at the University of Jordan, congress secretary and head of the documents and manuscripis department at the university, told the Jordanian News Agency, Petra. The need for wri-ting the history of Bilad Al Sham. said Dr. Bakhir, became urgent

The first congress on the history of Bilad Al Shan convened in April. 1974 under the patronage ol King Hussein, and His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan presided over the congress. The second congress was held in cooperation with the Damascus University late 1978, and the third at the University of Jordan in April 1980 in cooperation with Dam-

after the creation of the alien Lio-

nist state in the region.

University, Dr. Bakhit added. The 1950 congress research papers, which exceeded 100, con-

centrated on the history of Palestine throughout the ages, Dr. Bakhit pointed out. Dr. Bakhit said the University of Jordan is now working to issue the studies presented to the third

congress in a number of volumes. in English and French in addition Arabic. This achievement will help provide satisfactory information and

analysis of the studied era, and offer the Ministry of Education a reliable source of information that can be of invaluable profit at the educational level. Dr. Bakhir Thirty-three papers will be pre-

sented during the present conlerence, which is being held under the joint sponsorship of the University of Jordan, Yarmouk Uniascus University and Yarmouk versity and Mutah University.

## UNRWA celebrates Jordan Dental Health Day

By Afifah A. Kaloti

AMMAN — Very soon after the start of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency (UNRWA) operations 33 years ago, the agency began to pay special attention to dental care within its efforts to. cope with health problems, Director of UNRWA affairs, Per Olof Hallovist said Saturday.

Mr. Hallqvist was speaking at a celebration to mark Dental Care Day held at the Amman Training Centre which was attended by a large number of UNRWA staff and trainces.

Although at that time the agency faced major problems with infectious diseases, environmental hazards and nutritional inadequacies, a dental health programme was started aimultaneously.

"Its aim was to promote an acceptable level of dental health among the Palestinian refugee population registered with UNRWA," he said. Mr. Hallqvist said that there is

today a dental clinic in each refugee camp and "efforts continue to be made to develop the prevention and control of dental dis-About this year's improvement

in Jordan regarding dental care, Mr. Hallqvist said that the agency decided to add one dental care team to the existing ones as well as some additional equipment to be delivered to dental clinics. Mr. Hallqvist expressed his

thanks and appreciation to a donor in Amman who gave the agency a complete dental care unit with all necessary facilities which has been installed in one of the refugee camps.

#### Future plans

Regarding the agency's future plans for dental care, Mr. Hal-lqvist said that UNRWA in Jordan is presently preparing to introduce a dental health assistant training course at the Amman training centre starting from the next aca-

demic year. "We will never succeed in our oral health programme unless we have good cooperation and can. count on the good will of the refugees themselves in trying to att-ain a high level of dental health,"

he stressed. Mr. Hallqvist pointed out that the agency will assist and guide the refugees in the province of health education which is organised through the agency health centres

and the school health activities. Health staff, Mr. Hallqvist said, provide oral health education and oral hygiene instruction for tooth.



Per Olof Halqvist, director of UNRWA affairs in Jordan, addresses a meeting Saturday to mark Den-

tal Health Day with the other speakers in attendance (Petra photo)

he said.

and gum cleaning to mothers, children and other adults attending the agency's health centres.

He added that oral hygiene instruction forms part of the school bealth programme which "we have emphasised specifically this academic year in more than 200 agency schools in Jordan."

Mr. Hallqvist encouraged staff and students at the Amman Training Centre to assist in the implementation of this programme by setting a personal example and by teaching others.

The World Health Organisation'a (WHO) goal of "Hea-Ith for all in the Year 2,000" concems general health as well as dental health.

"This goal is not an easy one to achieve but, given greater awareness by the public and with the will of each of us to prevent discases, we can achieve this goal also, with regard to dental hea-

Also addressing the audience on the occasion was Dr. Naji Ayyash, a field health officer. Dr. Ayyash said that the most prominent dental disease is tooth

#### Tooth decay

"The tooth decay issue increased enormously during the last quarter of the last decade especially in countries where carbohydrates and sugar are largely

On queries regarding the causes of tooth decay, Dr. Ayyash said that research is still being conducted to provide the answers."It is obvious that there is no one bacteria or virus which causes this dis-

However, he said, there are many kinds of bacteria which exist in the mouth normally "transferring food particles, particularly augar, into acid which gradually damages the enamel that protects the tooth."

ease," he said.

Dr. Ayyash said there are many factors why tooth decay has continued to persist for such a long

One of which, he said, is ignoring dental bealth which includes the non-brushing of teeth properly and requiarly, and the failure to treat such diseases at an carly stage.

#### Preventive measures

Another factor, he said, is not taking preventive measures against disease. These "include high flouride levels in drinking water, adequate dental health services as well as effective dental health educational programmes."

He added that tooth decay might be hereditary.

Good dental care and the prevention of gum diseases bave been the major concern of the speech, stressed that dental health

UNRWA's medical department, but "priorities given to other diseases and services during the last few years indicate that dental bea-Ith services require assessment."

To that effect, Dr. Ayyash said a WHO team conducted a field atudy in four refugee camps in Jordan early last year. "Based on this study, a plan was drawn up for the development of a comprebensive dental bealth services programme," he said.

Giving a brief account of the plan, Dr. Ayyash said it includes an increase in manpower in the dental service sector as well as the provision of a sufficient number of sistants.

He went on to say that the plan also focuses on the importance of citizen participation by "taking care of their teeth and preventing gum diseases by attending health educational programmes.

"The awareness and the good will of the society in preventing diseases would avoid the occurrence of pain as well as results in a decrease in money spent," be

Dr. Ayyash stressed that eff-

ective prevention does not only

require the initiative of the ind-

ividual but also necessitates an

actual commitment from all concerned individuals wherever they Dr. Ayyash, at the end of his

ividuals whether healthy or sick, rich or poor, educated or ignorant and"there is not reason to prevent us from undertaking this step.'

services should reach all ind-

#### Education in dental care

The Field Education Officer, Atiyyeh Mahmond, speaking on the occasion, said that the UNRWA medical services department started to give technical assistance to the education department through planning for effective health education in the various UNRWA schools in Jordan."

working to turn out educated yonngsters who understand the main ideas of health and sickness. "It bas been agreed upon that the student's good health is one of

The schools today, he said, are

the main objectives of education," he said. Mr. Mahmoud pointed out that orientating teachers on health education should be an essential part of their formal and practical

He said that health educational programmes allocate priorities based on outstanding issues "the most important of which is to pre-

vent disease as a first atep." The master of the ceremony, Dr. Haidar Abu Ghazaleh, introducing the Amman area dentist, Lamee'a Maraqa, said that she was the first full-time dentist to be appointed in UNRWA back in

late 1967. Dr. Maraqa, giving a brief account on the establishment of Den-tal Care Day, said that it was initiated by the Ministry of Education and the Jordan Dentists Association"so that everyone will be made aware of the importance of dental care and the importance of educating people, particularly

school students. It was decided that the 15th of October every year would be made the Dental Care Day.

She said a committee had been formed by the ministry and the association to work out health educational programmes, both in and outside schools, "to organise with the media ways to fulfil these objectives."

Pointing out the number of dentists registered in the association, Dr. Maraga said there are 800, 100 of which work abroad while 150 work on the West Bank."The rest are in Jordan distributed in the Hussein Medical Centre, Min-.istry of Health, UNRWA, and the private sector."

"In Jordan there is one dentist for every 4,000 people — a good ratio for a developing nation," she said, although she also pointed out that this is below the standard of developed nations in the west.

## Controversy surrounds Grindlays Bank employees apartment block

By Salameh Ne'matt

AMMAN — About 100 residents of a four-storey 24-apartment building owned by Grindlays Bank concede that the building might soon collapse but refuse to evacuate it.

Investigations being made by the Building Research Centre at the Royal Scientific Society (RSS) concerning the fate of the building located in front of the general bureau of accounts in Shmeisani, revealed that the building is on the verge of collapse and that it is a dilapidated condition due mainly to the absence of enough sup-

porting concrete. A similar report was submitted by SYGMA, a consulting engincers company, after tests were carried out on the building the results of which matched the ones submitted earlier by the RSS.

Amman'a municipality organising department requested the management of Grindlays Bank to evacuate the building, whose residents are mainly employees of the bank, before Oct. 7, but to no

. The bank employees, who moved with their families to the 24-apartment building two years ago, each signed a contract with the bank to pay a total of JD 13,000 for their apartment, a proportion of which is deducted from

#### Jordan to attend industry talks

AMMAN (Petra) — Jordan will participate in the fourth session of the board of directors of the Arab Organisation for Industrial Development (AOID) which will open in the Iraqi capital Baghdad on Oct. 19.

The Jordanian delegation to the meeting will be led by the Jordanian Ambassador in Baghdad. During the three-days of meetings, the board will discuss: A report by the organisation's director-general, preparations for the sixth Arab industrial development conference which will be held in Damascus at the end of the first quarter of next year, and the election of a new directorgeneral and assistant directorgeneral for the AOID.



The apartment block owned by Grindlays Bank

their monthly salaries.

At the end of last winter, the east supporting wall of the bui-lding collapsed and the residents discovered from the wreckage that the wall did not contain enough concrete, which provided the impetus for an approach the RSS and ater SYGMA.

The bank finally decided to provide the residents with a loan of JD 18,000 per tenant to rent or buy a new apartment and to pay back the previous instalments from the new apartment's loan

A few residents agreed and

have already left their old apartments but the majority did not approve of the terms offered and decided to remain in the building in an effort to pressurise the bankand the municipality into granting

better conditions. A municipality official told the Jordan Times Tuesday that what concerns the municipality at this stage is the safety of the residents in the building and that it has ro:-. hing to do with legal procedures that might take place between the residents and the bank or the contractors who carried out the bui-'lding project.

## Royal reception to be erected at new airport

horities plan to build a royal rec- arture from Jordan. ention at the airport and a tender newspaper Saturday. The pavilion

AMMAN (J.T.) - The Queen guests and prominent foreign dig-Alia International Airport aut- nitaries on their arrival and dep-

The paper also said that another for the project is expected to be tender is shortly to be awarded to announced in the coming month, an international firm to carry out according to a report by Al Ra'i maintenance work on the airport's runways, main buildings and inswill be used to accommodate royal tallations.

#### Pharmacists meeting slated

specialists from various countries ait on December 18. will take part in the conference. which will be held under the slogan of "The Role of Pharmacist in and paper have been prepared by

Basic Health Care."

AMMAN (Petra) - The Second participate in the eighth con-Jordanian pharmacists conference ference of the Arab Pharmacists will open here on April 2. Several union scheduled to open in Kuw-

Several scientific researches the Jordanian delegation to be The Jordanian Pharmacists, submitted to the conference, acc-Association (JPA) also ann- ording, to the association preounced Wednesday that it will sident, Ghalib Al Sabbarini,

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## Israel's empty pocket

THOSE Israelis who ended Yoram Aridor's career as finance a ister, just because he wanted to dollarise the Israeli economy, should not have been in such a hurry. For whoever replaces him is going to be just another scapegoat for the total failure of contemporary Israeli

The fact that every israeli will be made poorer by whatever the Shamir government does, in the way of launching austerity measures and others, does not actually mean that the Israelis will be losing much — for it is money unearned, and land usurped, that they now have, to start with. And who said that the U.S. would not come to Israel's rescue, with more dollars to construct Jewish settlements and funds to continue Israeli occupation of the occupied Arab territories, before

the Israelis even realise it? It may be true that Yitzhak Shamir will now face a difficult task in finding a replacement for Aridor acceptable to his coalition of rightwing and religious parties, so soon after his trinmph in becoming prime minister. It may also be true that he now has to make the economy his top priority, rather than continue with pressing his favourite dream of completing the colonisation of the West Bank and Gaza and the rest of the occupied Arab territories. But these are about as much as Shamir will want to handle, as far as his government is

Nothing else - not the \$21 billion foreign debt, not the inflation rate of 131 per cent, not the shekel devaluation, not the hectic selling of commercial bank shares in the stampede for dollars, not the rising prices of basic commodities, not the closure of the Tel Aviv stock exchange, and certainly not the imminent start soon of debt repayments to the U.S. -- will actually bother the terrorist-turned Israeli prime minister much. These may be economic worries for Israel's new-old government, but that is about it - worries, and nothing else.

In the absence of national frenzy and mourning over the 520 dead Israeli soldiers in Lebanon, there is something distinctly wrong and deformed in the present public frenzy and mourning over money in Israel today, an Israeli newspaper wrote the other day. "Why is it that Mr. Aridor is now effectively disgraced, but Mr. Sharon and Mr. Eitan (the architects of the invasion of Lebanon) can proudly strut the public stage?" it asked. "Were his [Aridor's] blunders greater and more important? And is the Likud's standing in public opinion to plunge because of economic mismanagement, when it did not plunge because of its woeful adventure in Lebanon?" the newspaper went on.

Do we need in add more to that? Or do we try to find out when and how the whole story of "Israel Economic" started?

#### **ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS**

#### Al Ra'i: Consensus only solution

THE PROJECTED reconciliation conference in Lebanon is the only hope for the Lebanese people to arrive at a formula acceptable to all parties for shaping the future of Lebanon. All the warring factions realise this fact and want the conference to be held as soon as

However, it is difficult to justify President Gemayel's statement to the New York Times in which he expressed his opposition to the conference and a national dialogue which was scheduled for October 20. Gemayel described the conference as a manoeuvre because he said those taking part in it would not be true Lebanese nationals. This artitude does not represent any positive stand on the part of the president and his government and is not a constructive step towards re-establishing stability and security in Lebanon. Throwing doubt and suspicion on the reconciliation conference does not help the government nor the other groups to achieve their goals, but it rather entails serious threats to the present calm and can only shake confidence in the president himself and his government.

The Lebanese government is invited to take positive steps towards safeguarding the country's unity and peace. The only path for achieving this goal is through a general consensus on a political formula drawn up by all factions to preserve their rights and secure a safe and stable tuture for the country.

#### · Al Dustour: Gulf needs practical support

IN THE face of impending dangers in the Gulf region and in the light of foreign threats to the Arab countries there, the Arab Nation should rise to the new challenge and rally to the support of our brothers in the Gulf and confront the dangers threatening these nations. By "to rise to the challenges" we do not mean issuing verbal support for the Arab Gulf countries but acting to build up a national stand based on might that will secure peace for the Arabs in that part of the Arab World.

The Guff region is drawing the interest of major powers and is also a hotbed of trouble. Our Arab brothers in that region are now feeling threats from foreign states while we recently heard Saudi and Kuwaiii officials declare that they would not stand by and watch other countries blocking the entrance to the Gulf region, because their interests would be put in joepardy. This is an open call for all Arabs to rally to the support of their brothers in the Gulf. It is time that we took some practical steps to support the Arabs of that region.

#### Sawt Al Shaab: War or peace

THE DIFFERENT parties involved one way or another in the Middle East conflict or in linding solutions to it seem these days to be in a hurry all the time. For the Israelis, they are facing a crippling economic crisis due to

their involvement in Lebanon and the heavy cost of maintaining an army of occupation there. They also face the almost daily resistance attacks inside Lebanon and are continuously complaining of inffation, high living costs and the deteriorating economic situation at home. Israel cannot continue to paint itself as a small nation that is Trying to house the displaced Jews from around the world and it rannot deceive the world any longer that it is a peace-loving nation, due to its occupation of other nations' territories. Therefore, the Israelis are desperate for an end to the present situation.

For the Americans who pretend they are the Arabs' friends, they cannot allow the Lebanese crisis to drag on for ever. They know that the Soviet Union is watching and will capitalise on any U.S. failures. Therefore the Americans are desperately trying to end the Lebanese

The Arabs, for their part, cannot bear any longer Israel's continued aggression and occupation of their lands. Egypt. for instance, is showing restlessness and disillusionment with the Camp David agreements and is trying to disengage itself from it. Lebanon, now suffering from many ills, cannot take any more destruction and, civil wars and wants to rid itself from the humiliating agreement with Israel. In view of all this, we wonder whether the Middle East region is heading towards war or meaningful efforts for achieving peace.

#### COME TO THINK OF IT

# Learning by rote

IN AN article in Al-Rai newspaper last week. H.E. the Minister of Education seemed to be making a plea for a better place for the teacher in our society if he is to perform better. Teaching must be considered as a specialised protession just as the medical or engineering professions and the teacher must command a similar respect and appreciation. The minister went on to quote a line from a poem which says that "both teacher and medical doctor would not do their work conscientiously unless they are well rewarded". materially that is. That may well be true with regard to every profession, but is that the question?

The question that has been with us for some time is what to do for a better system ot education in Jordan tor our chi-Idren. Students are leaving schools and universities in greater numbers but with less abi-

lity to cope and they seem to be illequipped to make a better luture for themselves and their country. The luture decision makers have been discovered to know little about their present, let alone the future. The individual's response to simple situations is not so confident as it should be. One university professor

told me that at the root of it all is the process of learning by rote. He said that while he was giving lectures to students from a notebook, the students protested and asked him to do like other teachers did: print his notes and give them to the students so that they can memorise them! My own little child is suffering all week long from learning by rote and making us also suffer with him. Few stop to think that this lazy process may be at the root of radicalism and religious extremism in schools and universities in the

Third World. But I for one subscribe to this: It is because there is only so much that students, or teachers for that malter, can take after which they close down and stop thinking. They prefer to memorise and recite. They introvert and fight the world with slogans and appearances.

Come to think of it, the Vinister's own prescription may well be viewed in that light. For to say that all will be well with education if the teachers are properly rewarded and well appreciated is to gloss over all that is wrong in the present system of education without even giving an answer as to how teachers are to be better rewarded. Society's homage to teachers does not automatically solve the problem of their pay. Such homage did not help the medical practioners as they were being well overtaken in income by simple carpenters and nlumbers. The law of supply and demand in our society is stronger than anybody's estimation of the true worth of you or me.

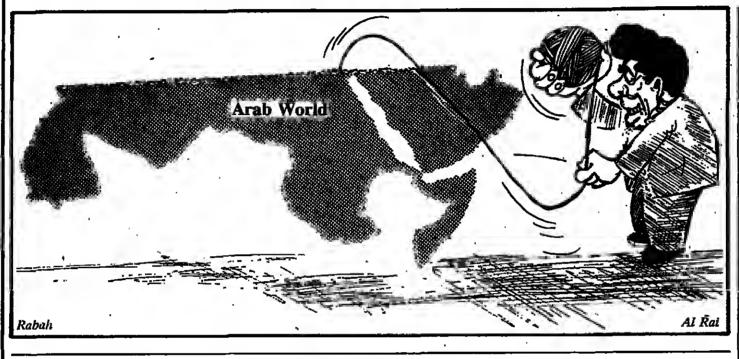
We were told by the Minister of Education in effect that if we need a better education for our children then we must be prepared to pay the teachers well. But the minister did not exp-. lain how well. He did not explain whether the proposed pay is perceived on the basis of keeping the teachers' incomes in line with the rising pointer of the annual rate of inflation and the general rise of the per capita income which stands now at about JD700 or a different basis altogether. The question is: Do the teachers want to preserve their share of the national cake or do they want a bigger share? Such questions are important because each one of them entails a different kind of thinking.

Teachers, as well as all government employees, deserve a continuous reappraisal of their incomes with systematic adjustments so that their shares of the national cake do not dwindle as the cake grows bigger and the shares of others grow proportionately or disproportionately bigger also. As tax payers, however, we are not entirely convinced that the failure of the system of education is due mainly to the teachers' poor pay which attracts poor quality teachers. One may have to think about allocations in the national budget for education and how well they are being managed as well as how much better they could be used to produce an all-round better

1 personally am for a less centralised and a freer system whereby the private sector could be invited to carry more

system of education.

of the burden where it can. The community colleges experiment is worth noting in this respect. The Ministry of Education, with more imagination, could put more emphasis on research, experimentation, the production of better books. preparation of better teachers and helping the people to help themselves. Too much reliance on government to do everything for the people will only perpetuate the present slagnation if it doesn't make it worse. By working according to the law of supply and demand not against it, the Ministry of Education should be able to pay educators and planners as much at least as one educator in the Ammoun hotelling scbool is getting. (JD 2000 per month! | Paying teachers is all right. But what teachers? An educational philosopher who can break the system of learning by rote is worth a million!



## North's drive for self-recovery leaves South with little oxygen

aching to the converted. Western

leaders at the meeting were all

sympathetic to the plight of dev-

eloping countries. They included

French President François Vit-

terrand and prime ministers Olof

Palme of Sweden, Pierre Trudeau

of Canada and Ruud Lubbers of

But Mr. Reagan, British Prime

Minister Margaret Thatcher and

West German Chancellor Helmut

Kohl, exponents of a tougher line

towards the Third World, did not

As a result, Third World dip-

lomats saw the sessions as of lim-

ited use. although Mrs. Gandhi

herself said they were a small step

in improving understanding. The

leaders had reached broad agr-

more responsive to development

But the same week, at the IMF

hand on the purse strings of the

I MF and World Bank, responsible

respectively for balance of pay-

ments support to needy countries

At U.S. instigation, maximum

access to IMF funding was red-

e Netherlands.

needs, she said.

By John Rogers

LONDON - The North-South dialogue on world economic problems, once the great hope for giving the poorest countries a better deal, appears to be heading for a dead end.

Two years after the first North-South summit at Cancun. Mexico, the gulf between rich and poor nations over immediate action and long-term solutions seems unbridgeable. Progress has been slender, Third World economic prospects have remained bleak and bitterness has grown.

The summit in October 1981 increased Western awareness of developing countries' economic attend. woes, but the gap between their

attitudes remained wide. Since Cancun. Western gov-ernments have concentrated on lifting their own economies from a global recession. Their concern over the Third World has been eement on the need to make intfocussed chiefly on debt crises in ernational financial institutions richer developing nations such as Brazil which threaten disaster for Western banks.

At international conferences meeting, the Reagan admthis year, demands by poor nat- inistration was keeping a tight ions for urgent steps to boost their economies have failed to breach the West's defences.

President Reagan and other ments support to needy western leaders, while differing and development loans. on some North-South issues, insist their continuing recovery from recession will filter down to poo-

rer trading partners. The Commonwealth summit in New Delhi next month is the next forum at which poorer nations may try to advance their case for more development resources and reform of the Western-dominated world financial system set up after World War II.

"It's time to get angry, but no one seems ready to take the initiative." a Third World economist said after last month's Intemational Monetary Fund (IMF) anuual meeting in Washington which was widely seen by dev-

eloping countries as a failure. The role of Third World leader lell to Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi. chairman of the 101nation Non-Aligned Movement since March, who will also chair the Commonwealth summit.

At the United Nations, she repeated calls for a new world order to replace the existing system which, she said, was based on domination and inequality between rich and poor countries.

Calling for dialogue between the West, Communist nations and developing ones, she said it was time for bolder moves in trade.

financial and technological coo- uced. Allocation of new special uping of former British-ruled terdrawing rights, the rund's reserve eliminate global poverty by the assets. was postponed until next end of the century. spring, and there was no agr-But at her own mini-summit of eement on increased resources for world leaders, also at the U.N., the the World Bank's soft loan aff-Third World was largely preiliate, the International Dev-

elopment Association (1DA). Developing countries were especially bitter over the reduced access to IMF funding, which followed a promising 48 per cent boost in quotas, or lending resources, approved by the IMFs policy-making Interim Committee last February.

viost of what we thought had been achieved (in February: has been taken back." John Mitchell of the World Development Movement. Britain's main aid lobby. commented. "The meeting took

several steps backwards." The Non-Aligned Movement hit out this week at the industrialised world's "continuing absence of political will ... to participate in effective action" on North-South problems. A parallel Third World body. The Group of 77. said a sustained global recovery was nowhere in sight.

The group listed stagnant international trade, volatile commodity prices, growing protectionist barriers and a heavy foreign debt burden among problems that were crushing economic activity in developing countries. When Commonwealth leaders

meet in New Delhi, Mrs. Gandhi may try to use the 48-nation gro-

Monetary and financial issues will play a major part in the conference starting on Nov. 23. Commonwealth sources said.

Although the West as a whole is opposed to sweeping structural reforms which the Third World demands. Britain and West Germany are more favourable than the United States to boosting 1 MF and World Bank lending res-

While no confrontation is expected at New Delhi, Commonwealth developing countries may urge Mrs. Thatcher to distance herself from hardline U.S.

"If there is any kind of softness in Britain's position which it finds difficult to express internationally. might express it at the Com-monwealth conference." a senior Commonwealth source said.

Diplomats from developing countries hope the Delhi meeting will make practical proposals for the next steps in a process of consultation which could lead eventually to an international conference on reform of the world financial system.

be New Zealand allies will allies will be New Zealand Prime Minister Robert Muldoon, who together with Mr. Mitterrand, has been one of the few Western advocates of such a con-

Among their Commonwealth

had happened. But it was nonetheless a study in euphemistic vagueness. After saying the plane had entered Sinai airspace and flown over "sensitive" Israeli military areas "in a manner that aroused suspicion and concern," it noted that Israeli jets "apporached the plane and instructed it to land in accordance with international regulations. When the plane took no notice of the instructions and the warning shots that were fired, it was intercepted by Israeli planes. The hit plane landed inside Sinai 20 kilometres and crashed," (italics added.)

It was defr exercise in conveying the idea that the plane had been shot down with out describing specifically just how it had hap-

Not so vague, however, were the Soviet-style statements by Israeli officials in which they refused to concede that Israel was in any way to blame. Prime Minister Times during that period, rep-Golda Meir, still referring to the orted from Jerusalem on Feb. 24, incident, as the communique did, as a "crash," commented that inany case the French pilot was entirely to blame, because he "did not respond to the repeated warnings that were given in accordance with

mon Peres indicated his belief that the question of whether the plane made an innocent incursion or not was irrelevant. "There are intemational principles regarding the penetration of air space of another country whether del- cational Trust.

# Who remembers

In the early afternoon of Feb. 21, 1973, Libyan Arab Airlines Flight 114, a Boeing 727 with 113 men, women and children aboard. was nearing the end of its regular run from Tripoli, Libya, to Cairo. But it never made it.

As it was preparing to begin its descent to Cairo airport, the unarmed airliner developed compass problems and strayed our of Egyptian-controlled airspace into the skies over the Sinai peninsula. then occupied Israeli forces. It turned out to be a fatal malfunction.

Within minutes, Israeli Phantom jet fighters had moved into action to intercept the plane. Within minutes after that, one of the fighters had shot it out of the sky. One hundred and six persons, including all but one of the mostly French crew, were killed. The victims were mainly Egyptians and Libyans, and included one Ame-

In a number of respects, both the attack itself and the reaction of the perpetrators were strikingly similar to the case of Korean Airlines flight 007, shot down by Sovinfringed their airspace. Far dif-ferent, however, was the U.S. response to what happened.

President Richard Nixon and the State Department did, of course, deplore the loss of life (even though the U.S. charge in Libya at the time was not permitted to offer condolences in person). But what was missing was any official criticism of what the Israelis had done, not to mention any rhetoric on the scale of what has been said to the Soviets. Nor was the Unned States interested in taking any disciplinary action against Israel. It did not bring the issue to the United Nations. When the 30member International Civil Aviation Organisation voted on June 5, 1973, to censure Israel for its

regime — abstained. If the United States had been of a mind to, it could have found plenty to criticise.

attack, the United States and Nic-

aragua — then under the Somoza

Israel's first communique after the shooting was more ready than the first Soviet one was to acknowledge at least implicitly what

pened.

international procedure."

Transportation Minister Shi-

Libyan flight 114?

To the best of my knowledge, Israel acted in accordance with those procedures."

iberately or by error." he said.

Dayan talks tough

The next day, while Egypt was insisting that the pilot had an instrument failure and had thought he was over Egyptian territory and after a surviving crewman claimed there had been no warning shots - Israel's attitude stiffened even further. Defence Minister Moshe Davan announced that the decision for Israeli fighter planes to fire at the airliner had been taken at the military level, that he had not been consulted, but that he had reviewed the decision made\_and found no fault with it. He denied that there was any need

at all for a formal inquiry. Gen. Dayan added that if he had been a pilot of one of the Israeli planes, "I certainly would have been suspicious of the pilot's intention when he failed to heed warnings and elected - for whatever reason - to risk the lives of all his passengers rather than to follow the instructions to land .... I ven't the slightest doubt that the captain heard the order to land and understood it. I don't like to blame a dead man for what happened, but he is the only one to be

blamed." Two days later, on Feb. 24, Gen. Dayan's case fell apart completely when the discovery of the "black box" containing records of the pilot's conversations with Cairo's control tower revealed that the Egyptian version of what. had heppened was the right one. In a new communique, Israel conceded that the pilot of the plane had "apparently thought that the plane was flying in Egyptian skies. When the Israeli planes appeared. the pilot thought that those were Egyptian MiGs circling around the plane." There was no conclusive evidence in the black boxthat any warning shots had been fired, or that if they had, the crew

of the plane had heard them. Gen. Dayan then made the first acknowledgement by any Israeli leader that Israel might bear at least a tiny part of the responsibility for the incident - although no more than a tiny part. The acknowledgement came in rather a back-handed way, as he announceed why Israel would refuse to pay any compensation to the victims. His explanation: "In this case, we erred - under the most difficult of circumstances -but that does not put us on the guilty side."

The next day, Feb. 25, Israel's government changed its mind about the compensation — but not about the guilt. It announced it would pay compensation voluntarily, out of "humanitarian considerations" - but that it had determined that the Israeli air force had acted "in strict compliance with international law" in firing on the airliner.

The Israeli public appears to have accepted its government's view that the Israeli air force had no alternative. Mr. Terence Smith, the highly respected Israel bureau chief of The New York three days after the attack, that although most Israelis "seemed genuinely to regret the incident, few if any would accept Israeli responsibility for the loss of mnocent lives. Rather, they seemed to regard the downing of the airliner as justifiable."

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## Pope's attack on birth control revives moral dilemma for Catholics

By Stuart Harris

ROME - Pope John Paul's latest stand against artificial birth control is likely to sharpen a painful moral dilemma for the world's 700 million Catholics.

Some churchmen express fears. that the Pope's stand will have severe repercussions for a church faced with poverty and overpopulation in developing countries and dissenters in industrialised lands.

The Pope told a group of priests this month that artificial contraception was illicit and that couples who practised it were usurping god's power to decide on the

creation of a human being. In conjugal love, a married couple is called to give all of themselves to each other, the Pope said, adding: "Contraception is an objective refusal to give to the other, respectively, all that belongs to masculinity or fem-

An unnamed hishop confided to the Italian daily La Repubblica that the church ran the risk of appearing inhuman on the issue, and added: "Let's face it .... who amongst us (churchmen) really understands anuything in these matters?

"I remember (Melchite) Patriarch Maximus IV saying these views are the fruit of a psychosis of celibates who know nothing about this area of life," be said. quoting a comment made at the Second Vat-

ican Council in the early 1960s. Contraception became a major issue for the church in 1968 when Pope Paul VI issued his controversial "Humane Vitae" (of human life) encyclical, shunning methods such as the pill, intrauterine devices, the condom and Sterilisation

pregnancy can either abstain from . pletely corrupt or there is somsex or restrict it to infertile days in the menstrual cycle.

The encyclical dashed hopes that Pope Paul would back the softer line recommended by a papal commission in 1966, although papai spokesman Monsignor Fernando Lambruschini said then that a future relaxation of the teaching was not ruled out.

'Lambruschini's statement left clear we can expect no change in doctrine during this pontificate,"

one priest told Reuters. Pope John Paul said in a recent statement that be wanted the clergy to explain to their flocks the: theological reasoning behind the church's stand against artificial birth control.

But many commentators say he has taken contraception out of the realm of moral obedience to. church teaching and turned it into a hard and fast issue of obedience to church teaching and turned it." into a hard and fast issue of obe-

dience to divine law. They say this could increase the conflict of priests torn hetween. their obedience to the Vatican and their response to the needs of rank

and file Catholics. According to Archbishop John Quinn of San Francisco, 71 per cent of American priests are not against contraception and only 26 per cent refuse to grant absolution to Catholics who confess to practising artificial birth control.

the U.S., 84 per cent don't agree Father Arthur McCormack from Britain told Reuters: "Either

ething wrong with the ban." "Pope John Paul bas hardened the line, so more priests are likely to refuse absolution at confession. Many U.S. Catholics moved away from the church after the 1968 encyclical and these new statements could accentuate the

trend." be said. Priests in Western Europe frequently take a lenient view of conglimmer of bope, but now it's traception, according to McC-lear we can expect no change in ormack, who directs the independent London-based Pop-

ulation and Development Office. Protestant Churches are not opposed to artificial birth control provided it is acceptable to both partners, harmless to the couple and possible offspring, and does not irreversibly prevent the couple from having children in the future.

A study group set up by the council of French Protestant Federations in 1974 concluded: "We see no difference of intention between natural and artificial metbods of birth control."

Father Giovanni Franzoni, a priest of the community of Saint Paul in Rome, described the distinction between natural and artificial methods as hypocritical: "A farmer who sows his seeds in the wrong season knows nothing will

Some churchmen privately feel the Pope tends to treat the matter in the same way as other thorny issues such as homosexuality, abortion and the ordination of women

Few Catholics favour abowith the ban," population expert rtion, as they believe every human being has a right to be born. But it's senseless to say that human Catholics who want to avoid American Catholics are com- beings have a right to be conceived, since there is no human life before conception." McCormack

> "If human life is a gift, then it can be refused, otherwise it's not a gift but an imposition," Franzoni told the Rome daily Il Messaggero.

Birth control is an urgent matter for many developing countries facing chronic overcrowding, lack of jobs for the new generation and a scramble for the basics of life.

In a recent statement, the Pope implicitly acknowledged the plight of poor Catholics in Third World countries but said that God's law could not be tailored to fit various situations.

In Latin America, priests faced with the misery of extremely high birth rates will have a hard time explaining the theological reasoning determining which metbods are approved and which are banned by the church, McCormack said.

In Catholic Brazil, the population rocketed from 93 million in 1979 to 119 million in 1980, while the population of Mexico increased from 48 to 67 million in the same period.

The Pope recently said that "couples should thoughfully and prayerfully make decisions regarding the spacing of births and the size of their family," and added that the number of Catholics practising natural methods was increasing.

#### More liberal approach sought for abortion which liberalised their laws over 'argument in favour of more liberal | Review emphasises that whatever

Canada, China, Cuba, Denmark,

Finland, France, East and West

Germany, India, Italy Norway,

Singapore, Sweden, Tunisia, the

United Kingdom, and Yugoslavia.

But four countries which eased

their laws during this period -

Iran, New Zealand, the United

States --- subsequently made them

more restrictive. Four countries in

eastern Europe (Bulgaria, Cze-

choslovakia, Hungary and Rom-

The main reasons given by

those who advocate mure liberal

laws are to try to cut the morbidity

egal abortions and to give poor

women the same access to abo-

rtion as those who are better off.

Only in a few countries. China,

trictive legislation.

By Jennifer McKay

LONDON — Many countries have liberalised their abortion laws in the past 15 years. Nevertheless, over a quarter of the world's people live in countries where abortion is not permitted or may only be done to save the life of a woman.

At the other end of the scale well over the third of the population of the world live in countries where abortion is allowed on demand, at least during the first ania) have introduced more resthree months of pregnancy. And for a quarter, social factors such as income and marital status may be taken into account.

These findings appear in the and mortality associated with illlatest edition of Induced Abortion: A world review by Christopher Tietze, which throws new light on the rapid changes in legal attitudes towards abortion in recent vears.

Among the major countries

the past 15 years are Austria, 'abortion laws.

In fact, Mr. Tietze points out, most countries which allow abortion on request or on broadly interpreted social grounds have low birth rates and some even have policies aimed at boosting population growth.

Eastern Europe is exceptional in that countries there have introduced more restrictive legislation precisely because they have low birth rates. By limiting abortion they hope that more babies will be born.

In other countries opposition to more liberal laws usually comes from conservative groups on moral and religious grounds. The Roman Catholic Church is particularly vigorous in its opposition. Fundamentalist Protestants and Muslims also take a strong antiabortion position.

Singapore, and Tunisia for exa-In describing the legal status of mple, has the desire to curb population growth been used as an abortion in various countries, the

rules exist may not be strictly enforced. Occasional abortions on medical grounds are probably tolerated in most countries where private (or even, in some cases. public health) doctors are willing to perform the operation.

In much the same way the existence of laws permitting abortion may not guarantee that any woman who wants one will be able to get one. They may not be the funds to provide this sort of medical care, or medical staff may be unwilling to take part in the operation. In the Netherlands the long-standing stalemate over the introduction of a new Dutch law legalising abortion is expected to be resolved before the end of the year, according to People correspondent Philip Meredith. This will bring the Netherlands into line with most of the West European countries — People News /

#### India may become world's most populous nation

By Moses Manoharan Reuter

NEW DELHI - India's family planning programme, overcoming much of the suspicion aroused by an enforced sterilisation campaign in the mid-1970s, now averts millions of borths by voluntary methods, health officials say.

More than 11 million Indians accepted birth control methods in 1982, the highest number in years, but despite this international experts say the country may still ovemake China as the world's most populous nation by the next cen-

The experts said recent successes are unlikely to he repeated

two decades has swollen the rep-. 1982 and was therefore a major roductive age group into which cause for concern. three million Indians enter for . Experts believe the success

every million that leave. Now 711 million, they say. India's population has doubled since the country gained independence from Britain in 1947 and could double again with 32 years unless the rate of increase. now estimated to be higher than

that of China's, is checked. We are on shifting sands really and the gap between what we need to do and what we achieve is get- bring them within the net. ting bigger," the director of the Family Planning Foundation of India, Rami Chabra, told Reuters.

year's success was only 85 per cent people do not favour, to methods

cannot be sustained because statistics show the high figure was largely due to the acceptance of birth control by middle-aged women after the stigma of the enforced campaign was removed.

This group's demand has now been met and what remains is the much larger number of young people, Mrs. Chabra said, adding that not much bad been done to

Government officials say streamlining of family planning procedures and shifting of emphasis Mrs. Chabra said that even last from sterilisation, which young

because a baby boom in the last of the government's target for like the condom and the pill will encourage family planning among

young people. Health guides are also being trained to bring family planning services to villagers' doorsteps, they

About six million women still resort to illegal abortions annually, whereas only 400,000 have legal ones, because facilities for legal operations were inadequate or women did not even know they

existed, Mrs. Chabra said. "It is a failure of our health and education systems," Mrs. Chabra said, adding that the campaign could soon reach a plateau with, only middle-aged women and a few enlightened young people using birth control.









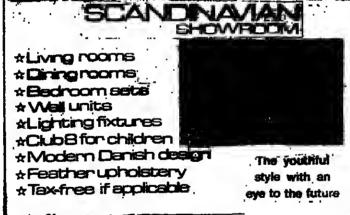


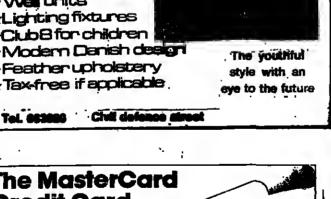




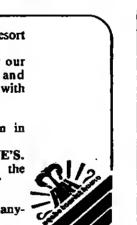












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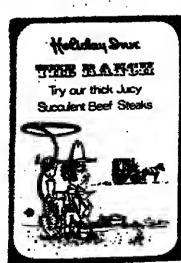
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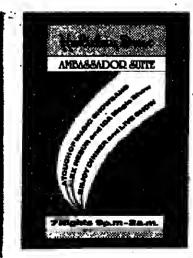
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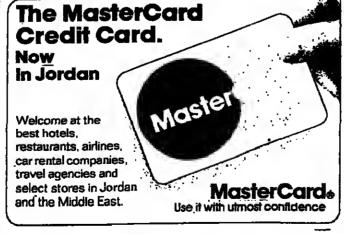
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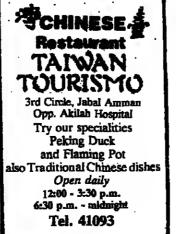
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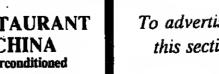
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# SPORTS

## Champions Liverpool gives West Ham footballing lesson

cketed together on.17.

The three clubs on 16 points inc-

lude Luton, who escaped rel-

egation last season with a goal in

the closing minutes of their final

League match. England under-21

international Paul Walsh scored in

the 74th minute on Saturday to

earn his side a 1-0 win at Everton.

The Luton defence, which con-

ceded 21 goals in the opening nine

games last season, have let in a

miserly eight at the same stage this

Aston Villa, champions in

1981, and Tottenham kept among

the chasing clubs with contrasting

England striker Peter Withe

scored the only goal in a tedious

home win over Birmingham, while

Scotland international Steve Are-

hibald netted twice in a thrilling

Archibald, dropped by manager

Keith Burkinshaw for not pulling

his weight in a League match aga-

inst Coventry early in the season,

has scored six goals since being

bridgeshire Handicap, the first leg

of the Autumn Double, said after

riding his 98th winner of the sea-

son: "I didn't do anything wrong

but it was a rough race because the

wind made it so difficult. If my filly

had found a clear run she would

Tolomeo, ridden by Italian

Bajan Sunshine, the joint fav-

ourite, won a typically fluctuating

Cesarewitch - the second feature

race here Saturday over two and a

Bajan Sunshine, ridden by

Brian Rouse, was favoured with

ner with three furlongs left.

Mayotte, who looked like a win-

telephone and television.

Giantranco Dettori, was second

have won by five lengths."

after a stewards' enquiry.

quarter miles.

3-2 away win over Wol-

victories.

verhampton.

LONDON (R) — West Ham, early season pretenders to Liverpool's English League crown, were given a footballing lesson by the champions in the Upton Park mud on Saturday.

The London side were beaten 3-1 to lose not only their 100 per cent home record in the League but also the top spot in the first division.

pitch awash.

Albiston.

their marksmen.

Manchester is well known for

having more than its fair share of

rain but the elements did not seem

to bother the F.A. Cup holders.

They cruised home with goals by

Arthur Graham, a £60,000 close

season bargain buy from Leeds.

Norman Whiteside and Arthur

In-form Queen's Park Rangers

slipped into third place in the table

behind West Ham with their fifth

successive League win, Simon Sta-

inrod and John Gregory were

Manchester United. with 19

points, have a one-point adv-

antage over West Ham, with

Oueen's Park Rangers, Sou-

thampton and Liverpool bra-

NEWMARKET, England (R) -

American Jockey Steve Cauthen

rode an inspired race on Com-

orant Wood and triumphed nar-

rowly in a compelling finish to the

Champion Stakes horse race here

Cauthen and his 18-1 mount

were last with three furlongs left in

the one mile two furlongs event -

Cauthen triumphs in Champion Stakes

The new leaders are Manchester United, who jumped above Ipswich, beaten 2-0 at home by Oueen's Park Rangers. Southampton and West Harn by beating West Bromwich 3-0 at

West Ham, with 15 goals to their credit in lour previous League matches must have fancied their chances against Liverpool, who by their own high standards had made a modest start to the

But, playing with a galeforce wind at their backs, the champions had the match in their pockets in the opening 24 minutes with two goals from Michael Robinson his first in the League for Liv-

Robinson, a close season buy from Brighton, went on to complete his hat-trick in the 74th minute and the champions strolled to victory despite having Craig Johnston sent off for a foul on Wesi Ham skipper Billy Bonds.

West Ham's only consolation was an own goal by Mark Lawrenson a couple of minutes from

On a day of high winds and torrential rain, second-placed Southampton had their hopes of going to the top of the table dashed by a cloudourst at Leicester.

The match against the division's bottom club was abandoned midway through the first half with the



#### second leg of the Autumn Double past the post but was disqualified when he produced a telling hurst to spatch a final stride vic-

Comprant Wood won by a head from second-placed Flame of

Tara, with Miramar Reel in third

place a short head behind in a

19-strong field. Cauthen, fourth in the Cam-

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## Egyptian-Jordanian chess competition begin

A WMAN (J.T. - The Egyptian National chess team arrived in Amman Friday to hold 6-day meetings with the Royal Jordanian Chess Club national team.

The first round of competition started Saturday 3 p.m. at the Amra Forum Hotel. His Highness Prince Ra'ad led the Jordanian team in the first round on behalf of His Royal Highness Prince Mohammad the president of the club.

The other five rounds will be held between the two teams at the Royal Jordanian Chess Club beginning Sunday.

The visiting Egyptian team consists of Mohammad Mahmoud, Hassan Ghanimah, Eid Zeine. Ahmad Hamed. Yussef Ghazali. Ahmad Ali. The team is headed by Mohammad Nabil and Fouad

The Jordanian team consists of Prince Ra'ad, Suhail Wallah. Hafez Bakr. Yahya Hamdan, Safwan Bukhari, Hussein Battikhi and Malek Bukhari.

#### Jordan reaches finals of junior Asian swimming

AMMAN (J.T., - The Junior Asian Swimming Championships in Hong Kong started Friday. The Jordanian participating team reached the finals and results of the first day competitions were as

Jordan reached the linals through Ali Wazani. Rima Abu Mansour. Ehab Oassab, Emad Wazani.

The overall results showed Jordan's Ehab Qassab in seventh position in the 400 metres race. Emad Wazani in fourth position in the 4181 metres butterfly. Rima Abu Mansour in eighth in the 1081 metres breasistroke. In the 200 metres relay Jordan got seventh place.

The president of the Jordanian team. Abdullah Abu Nuwar, delivered a speach on behalf of the vliddle Eastern countries during the official meeting held for all presidents of participating delegations.

#### National table tennis team to train in China

AMMAN (J.T. - The Jordanian National table tennis team will be leaving to China early next year, in preparation for the Ninth Arab Table Tennis Championship which will be held in Amman August 19:4. Ghazal Hashem, coach of the Jordanian national team said. He added that the visit to China has been discussed with the Chinese Table Tennis Federation during Jordan's participation in the first Asian Cup Championship held in China. The issue he said. will be discussed at the next session of the Jordanian Table Tennis Fed-

#### Dutchman Sosonko beats Karpov

TILBURG. Netherlands (R) -Dutchman Genna Sosonko beat World Chess Champion Anatoly Karpov in the third round of an international Grand Masters tou-

mament on Friday

tems usage.

Sosonko led throughout the duel which lasted three hours. Karpov, who is now in eighth position in the overall standings will finish an adjourned match against his compatriot Lev Polugayevsky in which he is slightly ahead.

# Piquet takes world title with rivals in the pits

KYALAMI, South Africa (R) - accident or a breakdown stood Nelson Piquet of Brazil cruised to between him and the title. his second World Motor Racing Championship in the last race of the season on Saturday while the title dreams of Frenchmen Rene Arnoux and Alain Prost ended in

With the two Frenchmen sidelined by mechanical failure, Piquet settled for third place in the South African Grand Prix, which was won by his Brabham teammate Riccardo Patrese of Italy.

It was Piquet's second championship in three years and a turning point for turbo-charged engines, which powered the first six finishers and ended the long domination of the conventional Ford Cosworth machine. Italian Andrea de Cesaris was

second on Saturday in an Alfa Romeo, while Briton Derek Warwick in a Toleman clinched fourth place, but the main interest was who of Prost, championship leader Saturday this morning, Arnoux or Piquet would become 1983 title winner.

start and by the ninth lap, when Arnoux's Ferrari limped into the 40 points. pits pouring smoke, only Prost, an

Prost's chance of becoming the first French champion broke down with his Renault on the 35th lap and Piquet knew he had only to finish in the first four to be champion.

"Everything is perfect," said Piquet afterwards. "I always had the race under control. I went as quick as I could at first but after I saw that Prost was out I started to take it easy."

He was overhauled by Patrese on the 60th lap but told reporters he thought he could have won the race as well as the championship had he not had the title on his

Prost was magnanimous in def-eat: "We lost the World Championship against an exceptional car, an exceptional engine and an exceptional driver. There is no shame." he said.

It was Piquer's fourth win this season and gave him the title with 59 points to Prost's 57. Amoux Piquet went ahead from the, was third on 49 and compatriot Patrick Tambay came fourth with

One of the best performances on the second lan.

until Saturday the only current driver to have won two world tit-

Tenth at the end of iap one, the 34-year-old Austrian powered his McLaren through the field and overtook Piquet late in the race before dropping out with tur-bocharger problems five laps from the end.

The 1982 title-winner, Keke

Rosberg of Finland, made it three world champions in the top five by bringing his brand new Williams-Honda home behind Derek Warwick of Britain.

Rosberg's day got off to a fraught start when an engine blew up in untimed practice, forcing his mechanics to make a quick cha-

However, the reliability shown by the turbocharged Honda engine in the race Saturday must bode well for the Williams team next

It was a terrible day for the French drivers. Apart from Amoux and Prost, pole position holder Patrick Tambay dropped out after 56 laps while Jacques Laffite put his Williams in the catch fence

## McEnroe, Leconte to meet Australian indoor final

American John McEnroe will meet fifth seed Henri Leconte of France in Sunday's Australian Indoor Tennis Championship... final after both won their semifinal clashes here Saturday.

McEuroe had an easy 6-4, 6-1 victory over unseeded compatriot Chip Hooper, whose booming serves were no match for the Wimbledon champion's ver-

Australian Paul McNamee bowed out of the \$255,000 tournament after fighting doggedly on despite an injury to his right foot. He succumbed 6-7, 6-4, 6-0

to the French youngster. After losing the second set, he took two pain-killers, but his restricted movement lost him the achman as a "hot and cold" plafinal set in just 18 minutes. He said yer. "He seems to play brilliantly later he jarred his foot late in the and then go off his game with first set.

"I couldn't run at all," a despondent McNamee said, "I didn't want Henri to know I had a had foot unless I lost the second set, so I decided to just play it out. But by the third set I had to do som-Leconte, who caused the big-

gest upset of the tournament when he beat second seed Ivan Lendl Friday, will be playing McEnroe for the fourth time as the American defends his title, this year worth \$40,000, for the third consecutive year.

Leconte, a 20-year-old Parisian, has lost all three previous encounters with McEnroe, but believes he has a 50-50 chance of winning here.

"I will be playing my usual attacking game and will be going for winners," said Leconte, who has won only one Grand Prix toumament in his career, against

in Stockholm last year.

McEnroe described the Fresome silly errors,"

#### Pakistan tops qualifiers in world squash

AUCKLAND (R) - Pakistan, Egypt. Australia and England qualified for the final eight after unbeaten runs through the pre-liminary pools of the vien's World Squash Team Championship here on Saturday.

Joining them in the intermediate round to decide the semi-finalists were runners-un Canada, the United States, Swe-

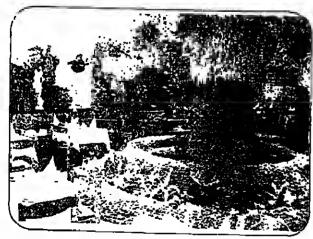
den and New Zealand. Egypt won the toughest match of the tournament so far. scoring a

pool events which open on Sun-

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#### **NEWS IN BRIEF**

#### IBM boosts profits by 22 %

NEW YORK (R) - International Business Machines Corp (IBM) Friday reported a 22 per cent increase in third quarter profits. Profits rose to \$1.303 million or \$2.14 a share from \$1,044 million or \$1.75 a share in last year's third quarter. Revenues rose 15.1 per cent to \$9.406 million. IBM said in a statement that its profits for the first nine months of 1983 rose 24.5 per cent to \$3,622 million, compared with \$2,909 million during the same period last year.

#### Radical wealth changes predicted

MOSCOW (R) - The American state of Kansas will probably be a desert in 40 years while Siberia should be growing into a fertile farming zone, according to Soviet climatology experts. TASS said Friday recent analyses by Soviet scientists pointed to a rise in the earth's average temperature of two degrees Centigrade (3.5 Fahrenheit) by the year 2025. They said this increase would mean radical changes in weather patterns which could transform many areas of the world, especially as rainfall patterns would be aff-

#### Major bank collapse headed off

WASHINGTON (R) - Federal officials Friday headed off one of the biggest bank failures in U.S. history when they rescued a major Texas bank from collapse by merging it with another bank. First National Bank of Midland, hit by bad energy loans, was merged with Republic Bank of Dallas, Texas, which assumed the failed bank's deposits of about \$622 million. The new bank, called Republic Bank First National Midland, will open on Monday.

#### Ford, Otosan launch partnership

ISTANBUL (R) - Ford motor company of the U.S. and the Turkish automotive firm Otosan Saturday launched a partnership to build Ford vehicles in Turkey, officials from Otosan's parent company, KOC Holding, said. Under the partnership agreement. Ford acquires 30 per cent of Otosan's capital, which gradually increase to 5.6 billion lira (\$22.4 million) in 1986 from one billion iira (\$4 million).

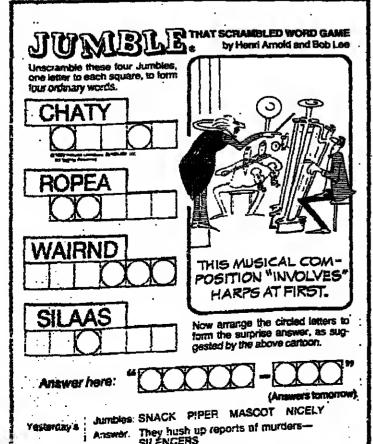
#### USSR to issue petrol credit cards

MOSCOW (R) - The Soviet Union is introducing special credit cards for use at petrol stations next year in a bid to break a massive black market in illegal fuel sales, the trade union daily Trud annunced Friday. At present petrol and diesel are sold for special coupons. Private motorists often abtain the coupons at cut rates from transport drivers who deliberately order more than they require. Trud said that in the Siberian city of Novosibirsk alone a swindle-proof credit card system would save the state 500.000 roubles (\$660.000) a year.

#### Japanese firms win Saudi job

TOKYO (R) - Three Japanese companies have won a \$390 milliou contract to build a desalination plant to provide water to the Saudi Arabian cities of Mecca and Taif, a spokesman for one of the companies. Mitsubishi Heavy Industry Limited, said Friday. The other companies are Penta-Ocean Construction Company Limited and Mitsubishi Corporation. The contract for the plant to provide 223,000 tonnes of water daily from 10 desalination units is valued at \$390 million.





# Hong Kong fixes currency

HONG KONG (R) - The Hong Kong government, in a new move to bolster sagging international confidence in the British colony's battered economy, said Saturday the local dollar would be fixed at a rate of 7.80 to the U.S. dollar from Monday.

secretary Sir John Bremridge ended weeks of uncertainty over the local currency, hard hit by concern about Hong Kong's fut-

The new rate compares with 8.26 on Thursday — Friday was a local public holiday — and a record low of 9.50 to the U.S. unit three weeks ago.

It fell then in a wave of panic selling because of uncertainty about continuing negotiations between China and Britain.

China has said it intends to regain sovereignty when a lease under which Britain holds most of Hong Kong and the new territories expires in 1997.

Uncompromising statements

The announcement by financial colony's usual ebullience.

Sir John told a news conference shortly after banks closed at noon that a fixed rate must be preferable to the floating dollar exchange rate used since 1974.

We cannot run the risk of further spiralling depreciation, with the rampant inflation and distress which that would bring to all our community. A return of confidence in our currency is essential." Sir Jahn said.

He added that the dollar's decline in recent weeks was tending to "feed on itself in an unstable and irrational manner' although the fall was not justified by the state of the economy which was doing very

There is little unemployment coming out of Peking during the and exports are booming. Hong last year have eroded much of the Kong has substantial foreign cur-

rency reserves, a generally liquid dollar," he said. banking system and virtually no government debt." he added.

He also announced that from Monday the 10 per cent withholding tax collected by the gov-ernment on interest paid to holders of Hong Kong dullar deposit accounts would be lifted.

Foreign currency accounts here are already exempt from the tax and this has encouraged savers ranging from factory workers to company directors - to invest in U.S. dollars rather than hold the freely convertible local cur-

Hong Kong's banknotes are issued by two big private banks, and not the government as in other countries, and Sir John said they would be required to back each local dollar with foreign exchange.

The rate obtained by a bank's customers would continue to be determined by market forces, "but will in practice be close to the fixed rate of 7.80 equals one U.S.

Sir John said there may be upward pressure on local interest rates - now 16 per cent for blue-chip borrowers - in the short term. But interest rates should fall when stability in currency exchanges becomes evident and accepted."

The government had been under pressure from many groups, including China which depends on the colony for much of its foreign currency earnings, to stabilise the

local dollar. The currency's decline was the must visible sign of the gloom that

has settled over Hong Kong. The government recently took over one bank after a run by dep-

U.S. and French interests provided an infusion of fresh funds into another.

The colony has also seen the collapse of Carrian Holdings, a highflying property group, and a major textile company has been put into the hands of receivers.

#### Manila seeks time to repay debts

NEW YORK (R) - The Philippines Friday requested a 90-day suspension of repayment of principal on debts owed to banks while it works out its fin-

ancing needs for 1983 and 1984. Manufacturers Hanover Trust Company, as chairman of a 10bank advisory committee which met Philippine Prime Minister Cesar Virata in New Uork, said the panel endorsed the request.

The Philippines, which has a

total foreign debt of \$18 billion, is Friday, repayments falling due the first Asian country among many developing nations which have run into debt repayment problems.

It bas suffered flight of capital, a loss of banking confidence and a sharp deterioration in its balance of payments since opposition leader Benigno Aquino was murdered in Manila on Aug. 21.

Under the suspension sought rees said.

over the next 90 days would be extended for 90 days. The Philippines is meanwhile expected to seek a new timetable for repayment of part of its debt.

The sharp deterioration in the Philippines' balance of payments has left the country unable to finance the deficit from its international reserves, banking sou-

The payments deficit in the third quarter soared to \$800 million, bringing the total for the first nine months to more than \$1,3 billion compared with a government target for the year as a whole of \$800 million.

The government bas estimated that \$200 million of capital left the country between July and September, but many bankers say the total could be substantially higher.

# S. Korean cabinet reshuffle not expected to affect economic policy

SEOUL (R) - President Chun Doo Hwan's decision to replace. his prime minister and 11 other ministers Friday after Sunday's bomb blast in Rangoon killed four tap ministers is not expected to affect South Knrea's stable economic growth policy.

Mr. Chun reshuffled the cab-

inet as tensian ran high between Sbin Bynng-Hyun's re-South Korea and communist North Knrea, which has broadcast a threat that if President Reagan goes ahead with a visit to the 1980 to January 1982, and the South next month "he will not escape a stern punishment.

Seoul's foreign ministry said Saturday South Korea was confident it could protect Mr. Reagan during the visit and the U.S. State Department said it was taking the threat seriously but was confident Mr. Reagan would be protected.

Pyongyang increased the tension Friday when it accused South Korean troops of intruding into the northern part of the demilitarised zone separating the two countries and firing on a northern post — a charge denied by the United Nations command.

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Before Friday's reshuffle the 22-member cabinet resigned in accordance with South Korean practice and a government spokesman said the move would belp "provide a turning point in state affairs" after the blast which killed 17 South Koreans.

But political analysts said Mr. appointment as deputy premier and concurrent economic plaaning minister, a post he held from promotion of afficials from two other key economic ministries to full ministers reflected Mr. Chun's resolve to continue his policy of stable growth in the country's economy.

The late president Park Chung-Hee, assassinated in 1979 after 18 years in power, had stressed high economic growth rates, marked by excessive investment in beavy industries which resulted in chronic high inflation.

But Mr. Chun abandoned Park's policy after elections in September 1980, saying the people's welfare and the balanced

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important. Aided by competent tec-

hnocrats, he managed last year to bring down inflation to singledigit figures, the lowest for more than 20 years. U.S.-educated Mr. Shin suc-

ceeded Suh Suk-Joon. Suh and chief presidential economic adviser Kim Jae-Ik, who both died in the bomb blast, were among handful of officials credited with responsibility for South Korea's recent fast development. Kim's place has been taken by

Mr. Sakong II, a farmer senior a more active role in bridging the researcher at the Korea Development Institute, a government think-tank.

Mr. Kum Jin-Ho, vicecommerce industry minister became ministry bead replacing Kim Dong-Whie, who belped forge the country's energetic export drive. Vice-Energy Minister Choi Dong-Kyu was also promoted to full minister succeeding Suh

Sang-Chui. Sang-Chul were among those kil-

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growth of industries were more led in Burma while accompanying Mr. Chun on a visit.

Securing energy and other resources is key job in South Korea which lacks natural resources.

Finance Minister Kang Kyong-Shik, attacked by opposition political parties for failing to prevent a series of recent banking and financial scandals, was reassigned as chief presidential secretary.

The replacement of Prime Minister Kim Sang-Hyup came after the ruling Democratic Justice Party (DJP) called on him to pla gap between the government and the people of South Korea, where 189 people died in an armed civilian uprising in 1980 in the southern city of Kwangju.

Political analysts saw the call as a veiled criticism of the low-key activities, of Mr. Kim, former president of the privately-owned Korea University.

The new premier, Mr. Chin lee-Chong, 61, was DJP chairman Both Kim Dong-Whie and Suh and had previously been an oppoosition member of parliament.

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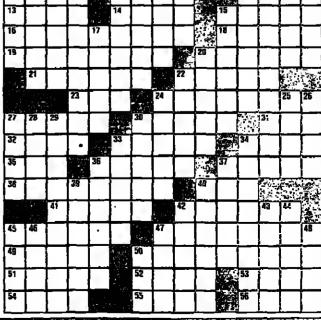
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## WORLD

# Nicaragua, facing oil shortage, seeks to boost air, naval power

MANAGUA (R) — Nicaragua has announced tough fuel rationing and said it is seeking combat planes and warships after attacks by U.S.-backed insurgents crippled fuel supplies and the U.S. Exxon Oil Company cut off the country's oil imports.

Daniel Ortega, chief of the left-wing governing junta, told a press conference Friday: "The government of Nicaragua is seeking from different governments of the world military means to defend our coasts and our air

He gave no details but officials said the statement referred to combat planes and warships and governments concerned included the Soviet Union and Cuba.

There have been persistent reports that the Sandinist junta was negotiating to buy Soviet-made

SEOUL (R) - South Korean

President Chun Doo Hwan said

Saturday North Korea planned to

attack the South after killing him

in last Sunday's Rangoon bomb

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arely blamed North Korea for the

bombing in which 21 people, inc-

luding four South Korean min-

He told his top military com-

manders at the presidential pal-

ace: " It is being proved that North

Korea's Rangoon airocity was a

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by (North Korean leader, Kim

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stage a sudden military invasion

after killing me, the head of state.

head of state is nothing different

from an announcement of war,

and therefore the Burma incident

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vival and salety." he said. Mr. Chun said all forces should

be completely prepared as North

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Mr. Chun, who escpaed the exp-

MiG warplanes for its small and obsolescent air force.

Mr. Ortega said the government would take "immediate and energetic steps" to ration fuel - prompted, diplomats said, by the prospect of a total halt in oil supplies.

This is an unprecedented crisis," said a Latin American diplomat. "The country is running out of petrol and diesel."

On Monday U.S.-backed ins-

"cruel and preposterous inc-

"I am once again convinced that

our strongest retaliation against

these homicidal war maniacs is to

strengthen our defence cap-

abilities and secure superiority of

power over them." Mr. Chun said.

said 50 top military commanders.

including chiefs of the South Kor-

ean army, air force and navy, held

a meeting to discuss ways of fur-

ther ensuring the security of the peninsula before they visited Mr.

U.S. Gen. Robert Sennewald,

commander of combined U.S.-

South Korean forces, postponed a

planned trip to Washington next

week in view of the current tense

South Korea's 600,000-strong

armed forces and 40,000 U.S. tro-

ops stationed here continued to be

on special alert since the Rangoon

But Japanese Foreign Minister

Shintaro Abe said on returning to

situation.

incident.

A defence ministry spokesman

Seoul alleges N. Korean attack plan

ced the temperary evacuation of the city's 40,000 inhabitants.

Mr. Ortega said frogmen blew up fuel distribution installations' Thursday at Puerto Sandino, the country's second port.

In a move aggravating Nicaragua's already severe fuel problems, Exxon Cosp told the junta Friday it would stop chartering tankers to carry oil from Mexico to Nicaragua.

Mexico is Nicaragua's sole-supplier of crude, all of which is carried by Exxon tankers, and Mr. Ortega said the decision effectively cut off Nicaragua's fuel

The suspension of shipments urgents based in Honduras struck, came a few weeks after the Nicat Corinto, Nicaragua's biggest araguan Democratic Force port, causing a huge fire which (FDN), right-wing rehels armed destroyed vital fuel tanks and for- and financed by the United States,

Tokyo after attending the funeral here on Thursday of 17 South

Korean victims, that President Chun had told him that South

Korea "will settle it (the bomb

North Korea charged Friday

attack; diplomatically and will not

that South Korean soldiers had

intruded into the northern sector

of the Demilitarised Lone

(DMZ), separating the two Kor-

eas, during Thursday night and

But the United Nations Com-

opened fire on a northern post.

mand (UNC) denied the all-

egation in a message to North

Korea Friday and countercharged

that its investigation showed that

two North Korean guard posts in

the DMZ fired over 2,000 rounds

of ammunition during a six-hour

President Chun Saturday swore

in new cabinet members following

Friday's major government res-huffle which affected 12 of the 22

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period from late Thursday.

retaliate militarily."

bound for Nicaragua.

Mr. Ortega implicitly warned Nicaragua's 2.7 million people. already facing shortages of many basic goods, that they would have to tighten their belts further.

The latest measures by the ruling Sandinist National Liberation Front coincided with a visit here by U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Langhorne Motley, the highest-ranking member of the Reagan administration to have talks with Nicaraguan leaders for more than a year.

He was to be followed Saturday by Mr. Reagan's bipartisan comssion on Central America haaded by former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger on the final leg of a tour of the troubled region.

#### Fate of Grenadan premier unknown

ST. GEORGE'S, Grenada (R) Grenadan authorities are saying nothing about the whereabouts of left-wing Prime Minister Maurice Bishop after what appeared to be a power struggle between him and hardline radicals.

Reports that Deputy Prime Minister Bernard Coard bad taken over the Caribbean island were followed by an announcement on the government-owned Radio Free Grenada that Mr. Coard had resigned his post. It said he did so to make clear

that rumours he had plotted to kill Mr. Bishop were lies. The radio added that Mr. Bis-

bop's personal security chief, Cletus St. Paul, was arrested for spreading the rumours. It denied reports that several

ministers were under house arrest and said nothing about Mr. Bishop who led the English-speaking Caribbean's first coup in 1979.

The confused developments brought into the open what members of the ruling New Jewel movement had privately described as a long power struggle between Mr. Bishop and Mr. Coard.

radio on Thursday denying reports of a split in the government. The radio said that following rumours of the murder plot, an insurance company owner led an attempt to seize arms from a militia station in order to kill Mr.

Coard. The Caribbean news agency CANA carlier reported that Selwyn Strachan, first minister of national mobilisation and a known Coard supporter, had announced that the deputy prime minister had taken over from Mr. Bishop who

feasible before long. He told the armed forces communications and electronics association that both systems should' be demonstrated publicly once they are operational in an effort to tortions, that would be "powerful; ective auti-missile system was not also holds the portfolios of foreign bring Moscow to terms in arms enough to serve as an anti-satellite far down the road. and home affairs, information, eulture and security.

## 3 dead, 25 hurt

NEW DELHI (R) - At least three people were killed and 25 injured Saturday in an explosion in Chandigarh, administrative centre of India's troubled North Indian state of Punjab, the Press Trust of India (PTI) news agency

The agency quoted police sou-

## Sri Lanka lifts ban on communists

COLOMBO (R) - The Sri Lanethnic violence.

kesman said a ban at the same time on two leftist parties, the Janatha Vimukthi Peramuna (People's Liberation Front) and the Nawa Sama Samaja Party

lian cruiser and destroyer. Mr. Montgomery claims the true story was never revealed because British leader Winston Chuwhen the security authorities felt it | rchill used the incident to swing was no longer necessary. President Roosevelt against Japan



West German riot policemen during a sit-in by anti-nuclear dem-onstrators in Bremerhaven. (A.P. wirephoto)

#### Rain disrupts peaceful West German protests BREMERHAVEN, West Ger- as the blockade of a nearby U.S.

WASHINGTON (R) - The Uni- talks with the United States.

many (R) - West German anti- army base entered its third day. nuclear protests against the planned deployment of new U.S. missiles, expected to attract large numbers of demonstrators this weekend, were muted by rainy weather Saturday.

Reports from around the country said the number of protesters turning out at most of the main rallies was less than predicted by organisers and the only mass demonstrations taking place were in this northern port, Bonn and West Berlin.

The demonstrations are part of scores of actions throughout West Germany over a 10-day period which will culminate in mass rallies in big cities next Saturday.

In Bremerbaven, police said more than 10,000 demonstrators

to destroy Soviet satellites even in

distant orbits. President Reagan's

science adviser George Keywortb

Mr. Keyworth also said major

advances by U.S. scientists over

the past year could make Mr.

Reagan's proposed space-based

nuclear missile defence system

By Leslie Dowd

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yds of London shipping insurance market in 1969, says: "The most

reasonable conjecture is that the

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But naval experts have long

wondered how the Kormoran

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cruiser that could fire shells 16

kilometres and had already dis-

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she blew up."

History records that the Sydney

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The demonstrators, who claimed more than 15,000 were pre-

sent, were planning to march to the blockaded Carl Schurz base Saturday afternoon. Police said they had identified about 800 people who had caused trouble at past demonstrations and that two of them were being

discovered in their car. More than 6,000 police are on duty in the port, backed up by armoured cars, water cannon and helicopters.

In Bonn about 4,000 people linked hands to form a human chain stretching 8 kilometres between the U.S. and Soviet embpacked a rally in the main square assies.

U.S. improves anti-satellite technology

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but initially against Soviet sat-

He said it was "certainly pos-

sible but by no means certain" that

Washington could build a

ground-based laser weapon, cor-

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#### Joint shuttle flight delayed

NEW YORK (R) -- This month's joint U.S.-European manned space shuttle mission has been postponed for at least 3tl days because of a potentially lethal problem with one of the shuttle's booster mckets.

The mission, in which the U.S. space shuttle Columbia is to carry the European spacelab science laboratory, was due to blast off on Oct. 28. But U.S. space officials annunced Friday night it has been delayed until at least Nov. 28 to allow time to replace a "suspect nozzle" in one of the boosters.

The decision, by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA: and the 11nation European Space Agency tESA, followed the discovery that the last shuttle flight in August was within minutes of possible disaster.

Officials said a heat shield on one of the two solid fuel boosters almost burned through completely. It it had, the shuttle with five crewmen on board could have swerved off course or even cra-

#### Moscow aids disarmament fund at U.N.

UNITED NATIONS (R) -- The Soviet Union, but not the United States, is among 18 governments that have contributed funds so far to the United Nations campaign for disarmament, according to a U.N. report.

The biggest single contributors so far were the Soviet Union, the Ukrainian S.S.R. and the Byelorussian S.S.R. which gave 1.8 detained until Saturday evening million roubles among them after crowbars and hammers were almost \$2 million at the official

Other big donors were: India, 1.000.000 rupees (about \$90.000), Canada, \$81,000, Sweden, 500,000 kronor (\$65,000), Japan and Mexico. \$50,000 each. Finland, \$45,000, Australia, \$27,000 Norway, \$25,000 and Iraq, \$10,000.

U.S. officials said.

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#### LONDON (R) - Low-tar cigarettes are helping to reduce lung-cancer deaths, according to

weapon, and might even be strong ted States by 1990 could have a Mr. Keyworth said recent expended to be effective against ground-based laser weapon able eriments showed that lasers — (distant) satellites." The Pentagon is planning to test a less advanced anti-satellite rocket, to be fired from the back of an F-15 jet fighter, in the near future.

#### jail for murder

19-year-old man who killed his girlfriend's father and hundreds of cats was jailed for 40 years here. Daniel Ketterman, who pleaded guilty to the 1982 murder of Glen Thompson, told a court psychiatrist he decapitated 13 cats in five days while thinking about harming Thompson. Ketterman also said when be was depressed he felt better if be strangled a cat. He kept their heads in a shed and threw the bodies at bus stops were schoolchildren would find them. He had killed four or five cats a month for five years, the psy-

## Electric minibus

MOSCOW (R) - The first 10 battery-driven minibus taxis took to Moscow's streets Friday, the Soviet news agency TASS reported. Minibus taxis, which seat 10 people and ply fixed routes in central Moscow, have been common for some time, but these are the first electric ones driven by storage batteries. Built by the Soviet Yelgava van factory, they are capable of speeds up to 60 kph, TASS

WASHINGTON (R) - A U.S. Appeals Court has ruled that drugs used to execute prisoners must be proven painless before they can be administered. Eleven of 50 U.S. states use lethal injections for executions and four give prisoners a choice of ways to die. The 2-1 Appeals Court decision in a suit brought by condemned men in Texas and Okiahoma will cause a delay in planned executions in those states pending a possible appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court by the federal government.

## Sino-U.S. ties better despite problems

WASHINGTON (R1 - Lengthy talks between Chinese Foreign Minister Wu Xueqian and U.S. olficials have further improved Sino U.S. relations but have not high technology goods badly needed by Peking.

"There was general agreement that we made considerable progress in the relationship." a senior State Department official said after the three days of talks that ended on Thursday. Mr. Wu's visit to Washington

followed a series of trips by senior U.S. officials to Peking this year. including a visit in February by Secretary of State George Shultz.

Mr. Shultz learned the full depth of China's desire to obtain U.S. high technology goods to

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President Reagan later eased barriers to such exports by designating China as a friendly nonaligned country. a status enjoyed nations like India and Yugoslavia.

But before the exports can flow. the United States requires assurances that the technology will not be transferred to third cou-

This requirement was made clear to Mr. Wu. but the State Department official said that while some progress was made. more work had to be done on the issue, probably through dip-

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advanced technology in a number of areas, including computers and oil exploration.

China also has a list of military hardware that it would like to purchase but any progress on a sales agreement is being left until a visit by the Chinese defence minister next year.

Although there was no major breakthrough in this week's talks, and none was expected, the two sides agreed to resume official cultural exchanges next year, putting behind them last April's row over the U.S. decision to grant asylum to tennis star Ha Na.

But the long festering dispute over U.S. arms sales to Taiwan. which China regards as an infringement of its sovereignty, is not likely to be settled soon.

## Indonesia to improve army

JAKARTA (R) - Indonesia's

He said in an interview in the latest edition of Tempo magazine the armed forces would spend less on ceremonial and administration, freeing more funds for equipment and other improvements.

Economies in uniforms alone

ectiveness, he added. Parachute training, for instance, would be given to only the army's best troops instead of all 100 battalions, Gen. Murdani said.

Lockheed Hercules transport aircraft would be used less to move troops in peacetime, saving \$1,000 per aircraft hour, he said. The structure of regional military commands could also be sunplified to save several million dollars a year, he added.

appointed armed forces chief in March, said he did not wish to criticise his predecessors but the present structure of the armed forces was "too heavy".

run about 100 aircraft, while Singapore's air force had only 7,000 people and more than 150 planes, But Gen. Murdani said the ove-

# efficiency

armed forces commander. Gen. Benny Murdani, has launched an efficiency drive to cut wasteful spending and concentrate his lim-. ited funds where they are most

could save up to \$24 million a year, enough to buy 30 French Exocet missiles. Gen. Murdani told the weekly news magazine. Cuts could also be made in tra-

ining without reducing eff-

Gen. Murdani, 51, who was

Indonesia's air force, for instance, had 27,000 personnel to

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rces as saying a type of hand gre-nade used by Sikh militants was tossed into a crowd of people watching a traditional Hindu play.

The prosperous farming statewas put under direct rule from New Delhi last week after the kil-ling of eight Hindus in Punjab, where most of India's 12 million Sikhs live.

kan government Saturday lifted a ban imposed on the pro-Moscow Communist Party during recent A presidential secretariat spo-

(New Socialist Party), remained. Information Minister Anandatissa de Alwis said Friday the ban on the parties would he lifted

#### at a crucial time when isolationists were trying to keep the United States out of war.

LONDON - A British res-At about the time of the sinking earcher claims that a Japanese Roosevelt broke off talks with submarine and a 40-year official Japan that could have fostered cover-up lie behind one of the U.S. neutrality. great riddles of World War IL, the Two weeks later, the Japanese

sinking of the cruiser Sydney, launched their surprise air attack on the U.S. fleet at Pearl Harbour Author Michael Montgomery and America was at war. whose father died aboard the Syd-Mr. Montgomery believes the ney, believes that the 6,830-tonne killer Japanese submarine had warship was torpedoed by a Japbeen secretly aiding and supplying anese submarine off western Austhe Kormoran and had made a

rendezvous with the German ves-He sets out his claim in a book He spent five years researching entitled "Who sank the Sydthe book, piecing it together by ney?". in which he also suggests interviewing Kormoran survivors that the submarine machineand checking through official and gunned survivors in the water and unofficial records.

He suspected an official coverup when he ran into a deadend at the public records office in London. He found that several files. which may have contained references to the affair, including telegram exchanges between Mr. the Sydney with a torpedo from Churchill and President Roo-

decided that it would be against the national interest," Mr. Montgomery told Reuters. 'I can only put the continuing secrecy down to sensitivity over

the American alliance." Mr. Montgomery said. 'Churchill had to avoid the impression at all costs that he was pushing Roosevelt into the war. If could be demonstrated that America was pushed it would do the alliance no good."

Mr. Montgomery was only four when he lost his father, who was on loan to the Australian Navy serving as navigator on the Syd-

World War II naval mystery probed The author was not alone in his interest in the fate of the Sydney. Historians have long sought evi-dence of Japanese and German secret cooperation before Japan

Mr. Keyworth said Washington

should plan for a number of visible

demonstrations to convince the

Kremlin to be more flexible in

For example, by demonstrating

that the U.S. ground-based laser

could destroy satellires in space, he said, the United States would

Mr. Montgomery hegan his research in 1978 after he concluded the official account left too many questions manswered. The Kormoran had been rav-

entered the war.

aging merchant shipping when is spotted the Sydney. According to Montgomery, the Kormoran captain viewed his position as hop-eless against the heavy guns of the cruiser unless he resorted to cam-The Kormoran skipper ran up the Norwegian flag, started a fire

on deck and sent out an SOS that the merchant ship had been attacked by a raider and was in trouble. The unsuspecting Sydney signalled the ship to heave to. When the cruiser was only 1,200 metres away, the Kormoran suddenly hit

tubes below her waterline and bat-

tle commenced, Mr. Montgomery sevelt, are still being kept secret. "I tried to get permission to see the files but was told it had been The Kormoran eventually surrendered and 31 x of her 39% crew survived. But as the survivors struggled in life rafts towards the Sydney to be picked up, another torpedo hit the cruiser with a huge explosion and she split in two and

> This torpedo, Mr. Montgomery surmised, was fired by the lurking Japanese submarine.

Mr. Montgomery said life rafts from the Sydney were riddled with machinegun bullets that German survivors could not explain.

Furthermore, Japanese milk' bottles were found in the Kormoran's lifeboats though it never called at a Japanese port.

## Elephant stumps British army troops

LONDON (R) — An clepte named Slowly Slowly defeated to British army and London 200 w a sit-down strike. The three-t animal, deemed to have grown). wild after 15 years at the zoo, h been lured into a crate disguised a feeding box in order to move to a rural zoo. A squad of 25 s diers was trying to manhand Pole Pole (Swahili for Slowly Si why and the crate on to a true when she sat down. Keepers, we ried that she would injure herse if moved in that position, called a the attempt. It took three hours t persuade her to stand up, revers herself out of the crate and bac into ber paddock.

#### Cyclists, drunks plague Peking PEKING (R) - Traffic police ar

cracking down on roadhogs after sbarp rise in deaths and injuries of Peking's crowded roads. Chin. Daily said. Official figures show 297 people were killed in road acc idents in the first eight months of 1983, up 16.9 per cent on the same period last year, while the number of injured rose to 4,630 Police said most pile-ups were due to speeding or drunken driving Bicycle accidents mainly involved evelists carrying passengers or excessively heavy loads.

#### Low-tar cigarettes help reduce cancer

British scientists. But they say the amount of tar in eigarettes should be cut still further. The government-appointed independent scientific committee on smoking and health said tobacco firms should also make cigarettes produce less carbon monoxide. which they believe causes heart disease. Tar was the main cause of lung cancer among smokers, the committee said in a report to the Health Department. The committee said nicotine from cigarettes had not itself been shown to cause heart-lung disease. It proposed that nicotine, dependence on which stopped some people from giving up smoking. should not be cut too far - otberwise smokers might compensate by inhaling more deeply.

## Cat strangler in

NORFOLK, Virginia (R) — A chiatrist told the court.

## taxis in Moscow

#### Execution drugs to be studied

